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# ESTRANGEMENT?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

HELSINKI, TO-DAY. SUMMING UP THE POLITICAL CONSEQUENCES OF THE SOVIET-FINNISH PEACE, FOREIGN OB-SERVERS POINT OUT THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THE IMMEDIATE THREAT OF NORTHERN EUROPE BECOMING A WORLD BATTLEFIELD.

But one fact remains clear: Russia now is able to dispose of 40 more divisions and 2,000 planes for future operations or for diplomatic pressure in the Balkans or elsewhere.

Finnish opinion is that the peace will wipe out Finnish hatred for the Russians, while the Swedish attitude may result in Finland becoming estranged\_from\_Sweden.

## SWISS TAKE ALARM AT EVENTS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Zurich, To-day.

The Swiss press reflects the near-consternation which is felt in Switzerland over the Soviet-Finnish peace treaty.

Some papers feel that Finland's submission was due to the fact that she was left in the lurch by the other Scandinavian countries, while other papers feel that her submission was due to pressure from, and fear of, Germany.

The responsibility for her submission is also laid at the feet of the "two big nations" which joined in the League's condemnation of the Soviet aggression and contented themselves with that.—Havas.

#### GLOOMY VIEWS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berne, To-day. With the conclusion of the Soviet-Finnish war Swiss quarters foresee a possible increase in Soviet-German trade, with larger Russian oil supplies with more neutrals being included in the Soviet-German economic system.

Most of the Swiss newspapers consider the peace a political defeat for the Allies.—Havas.

#### RIBBENTROP REPORT

Berlin, To-day. Hitler obtained first-hand information about the Rome talks yesterday: Ribbentrop made his report immediately on arrival.—Reuter

WEATHER FORECAST:--- East and south-east winds, light to moderfog in morning.

The Finnish radio played funeral marches throughout yesterday afternoon. The capital was strangely quiet, with the trams stopped and anti-air raid measures still in force.

The authorities have requested evacuated civilians not to return to Helsinki until Government notice.

Meanwhile, one consolation in the Finns'-tragedy is the possibility of holding the World's 1940 Olympiad in Heisinki as scheduled, but one member of the Olympic organisation committee told interviewers: "We are not thinking of anything else than this scandalous peace." — Havas.

#### Finland's Mutilation

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

Commenting on Finland's acceptance of the Soviet demands, semi-official quarters in Paris comment:--"One of. the most heroic of wars has come to an end without bringing the reward deserved to the heroes."

Finland retains her independence, but is mutilated.

Her troops fought for 104 days without replacements and did not crack, covering themselves with glory and ending the myth of the strength of the Red Army.—Havas.

## flowing into Germany and perhaps the with more neutrals being included in FOR FORCE.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

BRUSSELS, TO-DAY. MOST OF THE BELGIAN PRESS STRESSES THE FINNISH COURAGE IN AN UNEQUAL FIGHT.

General opinion here is the peace means a defeat for Sweden as well as a success for Germany. This perce

is a new victory for brutal force. Violence continues to pay." Other newspapers express the fear. ate: fine generally with mist or that Germany will soon derive great henefit from the peace. Haves

## MILITARY ALLIANCE DEMANDED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") · Stockholm, To-day. The "Svenka Dagbladet" Insists on the necessity of a Swedish-

Norwegian-Danish military alllance. The "Tidningen" deplores the

lack of Swedish military preparations which, the newspaper alleges, prevented her from granting Finland effective assistance.

# BUIHNIA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Paris, To-day.

Political circles point out that the Soviet is now master of the Gulf of Bothnia and will probably turn its Near East.

As regards the Far East, it is expected that Russia will increase her assistance to China, thereby inducing The final communique of the war Western Powers.—Havas.

## DOLLAR SALARIES IN THE S.M.C.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Shanghai, To-day.

Future engagements of staff of the Shanghai Municipal Council will be on the basis of arranging salaries in local currency only, according to an announcement made by the Council yesterday afternoon.

Retirement benefits will be on the same basis.

Previously employees engaged overseas received superannuation in Steriing at a fixed rate of exchange.

The new measure indicates the financial difficulties of the Council but a proviso is made for a case where required apecialised persons cannot be obtained on other than a foreign currency basis. -- Our Own Correspondent.

#### eyes towards the Balkans and the FINAL COMMUNIQUE OF FINNISH WAR

Moscow, To-day.

Japan to improve relations with the claims the occupation of Viborg after two hours storming.—Reuter.



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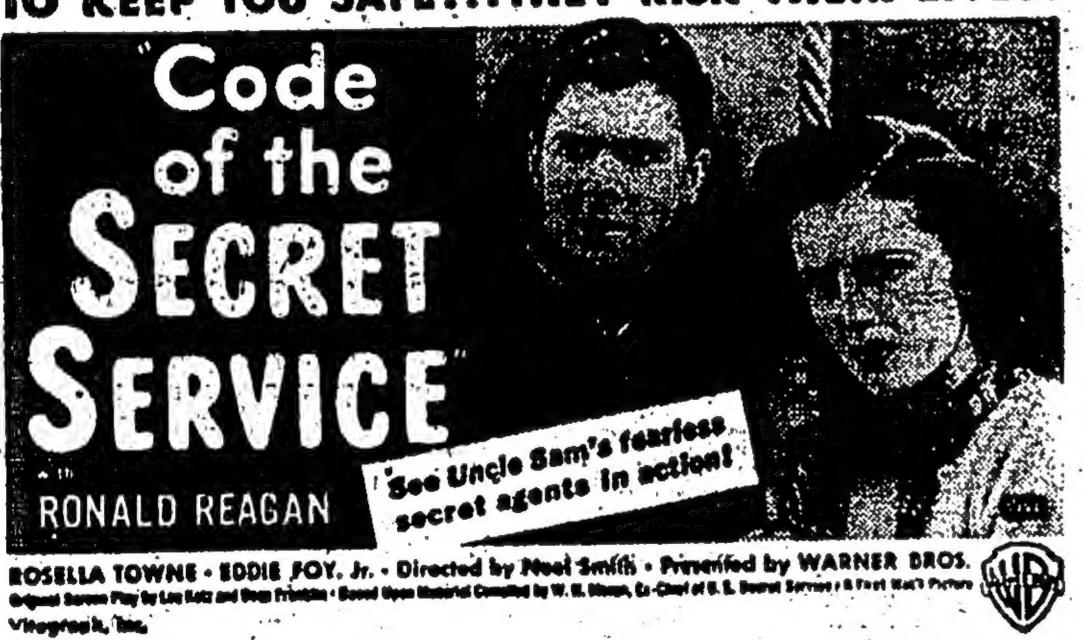
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## SHANGHAI ENDS SPECULATOR'S PARADISE

(Special To "China Mail" From Our Own Correspondent)

Shanghai, To-day.

HERALDING THE END of the speculator's paradise here the Shanghai Municipal Council yesterday issued a proclamation by which hoarders, profiteers and manipulators in vital necessities will be prosecuted by law.

This step follows closely on a similar proclamation issued by the French Council on February 19 by which a specially appointed committee was empowered to confiscate undeclared stocks and authorised to inspect books and documents with a view to ascertaining cost prices.

Meanwhile, prices continue their upward trend steadily.

Queues of more than 500 persons await their turn in front of each of the 28 stores entitled to sell cheap flour for the poor.

The population is suffering heavily as they are almost unable to above \$60.

allowances which, however, are no sufficient to cope with the high prices

#### LABOUR UNREST

Continuous labour unrest has resulted and unless the Settlement authorities proceed in the strictest manner, no improvement is likely.

'I was unable to ascertain what steps the Council is taking but it is known that for some days the Council's legal advisers have been studying the Chungking anti-profiteering laws which foresee life terms for offenders.

Hitherto the maximum prison sentence imposed on profiteers has been at \$500,000. 15 days.—Our Own Correspondent.

#### RUBBER SHOE KING

Mr. Chan Ka-kong, Singapore milionaire, and owner of several large visit Chungking.

WANCHAI FIRE BURNS

· WITH SEVERAL WATER-HOSES purchase rice, with a picul quoted STILL CONCENTRATED ON THE FIRE WHICH BROKE OUT IN THE Many employers are giving rice WAREHOUSE OF MESSRS. KWONG SANG HONG, LIMITED, WELL-KNOWN PERFUME AND COS-METICS MANUFACTURERS. THROUGHOUT LAST NIGHT, THE FIRE WAS STILL BURNING, TO-

> According to the company's officials, three-years' supply of materials, stored in the warehouse, have been destroyed, as well as between 8,000 and 9,000 bags of rice.

Owing to the caving in of the roof, firemen were unable to enter the building. Positioned on the roofs of nearby buildings they are still directing hoses on the burning debris.

Damage is conservatively estimated

rubber footwear factories, will sail on March 23 for Hong Kong, according to local Chinese reports.

It is added that Mr. Chen plans to



Army's "brains" baffled trying to solve the mystery of the phantom ray that kills without leaving a clue.



FOR TO-MORROW AND SATURDAY. EDY RIOT AS SPICY AS A SHOWGIRL'S DIARY



## COVER MEN THE TUNG WAH HOSPITAL

"THE DAYS ARE PASSED when such essential services as the care of the sick poor could be left to private charity and the duty of the state in such matters has long been recognised," said His Excellency the Governor this morning, addressing the old and new committees of the Tung Wah Hospital at the annual reception.

"This year," said Sir Geoffry, "marks valuable work done by Mr. Chau per-the 70th anniversary of the incorpor-ation of the Tung Wali Hospital. On up to date the system of accounting in March 30th, 1870, an ordinance was the hospitals and in preparing statis-passed for the establishment of a tics of all kinds. Certain outstanding Chinese Hospital for the care and questions still remain to be settled. supported by voluntary contributions; agreement has been reached on genand it is recorded in the preamble to eral principles, Mr. Lee and his colthe day contributed a piece of Crown to these problems. Land as a site and a donation of \$15,-000 for its erection and maintenance Last year the cost of maintaining the three hospitals belonging to the Corporation amounted to between seven this juncture. It is, I think, inevitand eight hundred thousand dollars, able that the Government grant to the excluding expenditure on the main- Tung Wah Corporation will in future tenance of free schools and the repa- remain at a high figure and there are triation of destitute refugees and certain conditions which must attach others, services to the community to such a grant. Those conditions which have been performed by suc- govern all Government expenditure

half has been derived from income before the Legislative Council when from investments and from voluntary the Colony's estimates are being drawn subscriptions; and Government has re- up showing clearly how the proposed cognised that it is incumbent upon it grant for the next year is to be exto increase the grant-in-aid very pended; secondly, the Tung Wah Dilargely in these circumstances.

#### BILL FOR TAXPAYER

cumstances which led to this situation, the same financial and audit control and I need not go into them now. The as all other Government votes have to result of Government taking so much undergo. greater a share in these social ser- These conditions are in no way onvices has required the taxpayer to erous and I can assure you gentlemen foot a much larger bill, and conse- that close and conscientious obserquently it is the more important that vance of them will bring in its train he should have information regarding harmonious and tranquil administrathe manner in which his contribution tion of this great corporation's resis to be expended and an assurance ponsibilities. that his interests are being safe-guarded. It is with this end in view that the changes introduced during the past three years have been instituted.

haul and recast a system that has Kotewall and the other members of worked and worked well for nearly the Advisory Board, in particular Mr. seventy years. Such an undertaking M. K. Lo, Mr. T. N. Chau and Dr. Li is never popular and Mr. Chau and Shu Fan, who have served or are servhis colleagues deserve much credit ing on the Medical Committee. Memfor their willingness to accept the res-ponsibility in the face of very serious no sinecure and I am most grateful problems. The debt of gratitude owed to these gentlemen for their willingto them by the community is the ness to add this to their many public greater because they have carried activities. their burden for twice the normal I have followed with much interest time, that is to easy for two years in- Mr. Lee's statement of policy. I obstead of one and very difficult years serve gladly the new Committee's enat that. I should like, in particular, thusiasm and I wish them all success to express my appreciation of the very in their undertakings.

cessive committees for many years. and cannot be foregone. In the first Of this large sum rather less than place, there must be definite figures rectors must realise that they may not over-expend that grant without bringing a liability upon the Tung Wah Corporation: and thirdly, the expen-You are all familiar with the cir-diture of the grant must be subject to

#### TRIBUTE TO ADVISORS

I cannot close without a tribute to It has proved no easy task to over- the invaluable assistance of Sir Robert

treatment of the indigent sick to be but I have every hope that, now that that ordinance that the Government of leagues will be able to find a solution CONDITIONS OF GRANT. One thing I wish to make clear at

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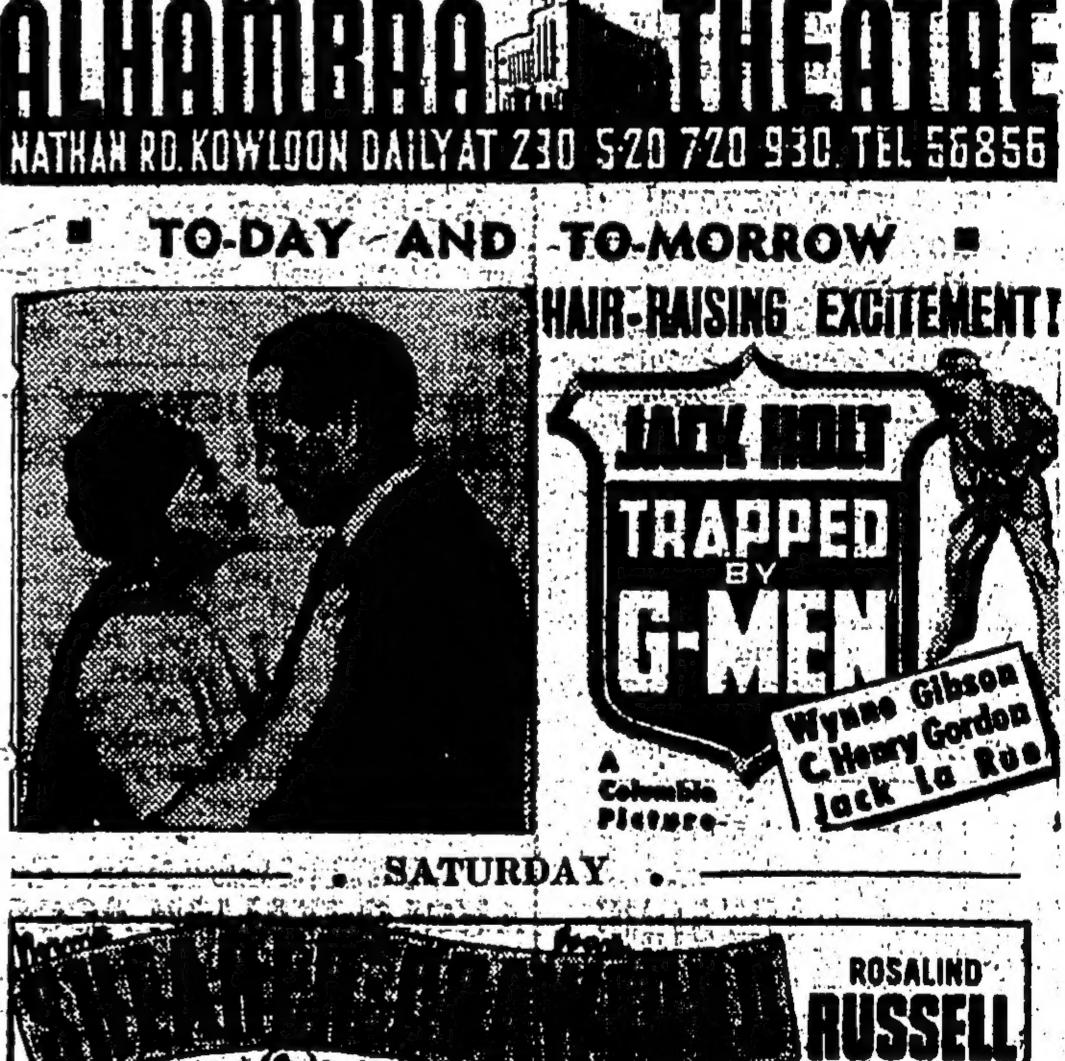
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## RUSSIANS BOMB GIRL SKATER

A Finnish schoolgirl skating on a lake was attacked by two Russian bombers and machinegunned, according to Paris radio. She dived into the snow and the pilot, unable to see her, bombed the place where she last stood. She escaped.

## TIENTSIN TARIFF DISCLOSURE

LONDON, TO-DAY. STON) ASKED IN THE HOUSE OF in the free Democracies of Britain COMMONS YESTERDAY WHETHER and France, who were both passion-THE PRIME MINISTER WAS ately devoted to peace, to see the AWARE THAT THERE WAS A RE- war through. Such unanimity in GULAR TARIFF LEVIED BY THE support of the war was a very strik-JAPANESE ARMY ON ALL CHIN- ing and impressive fact. ENTERING THE BRITISH CONCESSION AT TIENTSIN, RE-SULTING IN A HEAVY TAX ON BRITISH MERCHANDISE.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary was effectively curbed. for Foreign Affairs, said reports were

current to this effect.

quently made representations to the time most essential condition was Japanese Government on the injury that there should be effective guarcaused to British interests by the restrictions on movements of mer- of Nazi aggression in future. chandise in this area.—Reuter.

## COST OF THE WAR

London, To-day.

When the Commons yesterday afternoon went into the committee of supply the Chancellor of the Exchequer, on the vote of a credit for £700,000,000 for wartime expenditure, gave several details of Government expenditure on the war.

Sir John Simon recalled that on September 1 the House had authorised a vote of credit of £500,000,000 to cover outlay likely to be increased in the near future. Up to March 9 the amount which had been spent out of this sum was in the neighbourhood of £300,000,000, he said, and "so far as one could see at the end of the financial year there would probably be short spending of something between seventy and a hundred millions out of the five hundred millions authorized."—British Wireless.

## HER LIFE A MISERY

#### Pain So Bad She Could Scarcely Walk

Three years of horrible suffering and then at last-glorious relief! This woman feels it her duty to tell other sufferers how she got back her health. Here in her letter she tells her story:--

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of every particle of poisonous waste ex-President of the German Reichs—
matter, As an immediate result you have an immediate result you have the second and a special ance Society of Canton was fined \$5 effected in administration of the

## WARS TORIGIES MUST PRODUCE SOLID RESULT

London, To-day.

SPEAKING AT A LUNCHEON in London yesterday Sir John Simon said that just two years ago Germany marched into Austria. Almost exactly one year ago Hitler, in breach of the most solemn assurances given six months before, invaded Czecho-Slovakia.

Within a few weeks Britain and France gave their joint assurance to Poland that if she were attacked they would not stand idly by.

It was the measure of the ignorance and folly by which Hitler was advised that he believed they would not keep their word.

Now there was a deep, intense and MR. I. C. HANNAH (CONS. BIL- universal determination and resolve

> . The chancellor of the Exche-.quer went on to say there could\_ be no future for free men in Europe unless Nazi domination

Peace must include the restoration of freedom to Czechs and Poles but His Majesty's Government had fre- the most difficult and at the same untees that there would be no renewal

PROMISES NO GOOD

A verbal promise to that effect would hardly inspire confidence, for verbal promises had been broken by Hitler in the past.

It was these circumstances which made them say it was impossible to reach any settlement as long as Hitler and those colleagues who think with him are in power. The durability of the settlement was as important as its contents.

"We are sacrificing so muchin manhood, trade, wealth and social progress—that we must make really certain the sacrifice produces a solid result.

And in that new world of free people which should arise out of the war there will be living room for all—for the German people no less than for the rest."—British Wireless.

#### "CONSEQUENCES NO MIND CAN FORESEE"

Vatican City, To-day. Political, economic and moral turmoils have started reprecussions the consequences of which no mind can foresee, said the Pope, referring to the international situation, in his allocution to members of the Sacred College who came to congratulate him on the first anniversary of his enthronement.—Reuter.

#### COMMONSENSE OF ANGLO-ITALIAN ACCORD

Buenos Aires, To-day. The newspaper "Nacion" applauds the commonsense of the solution of the Anglo-Italian coal shipments dispute. The journal "El Dia de la Plate" considers the solution a victory for Britain weakening Italo-German ties. -Reuter.

#### TIBET'S THANKS

Shanghai, To-day. The Regent of Tibet has wired to Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the Chinese National Government, expressing thanks on behalf of the new Dalai Lama to whom large quantities of gifts were presented on his enthronement on February 22, says the "Sin-

#### SCHACHT GOING TO SWEDEN ON MISSION

Stockholm, To-day. According to the newspaper

Aliens detained in Britain are to be allowed new privileges, the Home Secretary announced.

They will be allowed a pint of ale every day; or, if they prefer it, stout, cider or a half bottle of wine.

receive letters, to smoke and to do tains, to mark the frontier. work for wages.

CONTRAST: Until war began, wounded men of the last war in the Star and Garter Home, Richmond, When war was declared the beer was Swiss skaters. stopped for economy reasons. There were protests.

Now the men get their beer three days a week.

QUESTION: Is it better to be an enemy alien of this war than a wounded British soldier of the last?

On seeing him cutting trees in their employer's field yesterday, Wong Kwong, Wong Pun and eight others attacked Ho Ming, 22, and injured

·Ho · Ming · had · to · be - · removed · · · to hospital, while his assailants were taken to the police station.

At Kowloon to-day before Mr. E. Himsworth, they were charged with assault and bound over.

The injured man was awarded \$2, compensation.

#### TUG-OF-WAR OVER HANDBAG

Mrs. C. M. Remedios, of Argyle Street, had a "tug-of-war" with a snatcher yesterday afternoon in Soares Avenue, resulting in slight injuries to her fingers, it was stated this morning at Kowloon when Lam Hoi, 23, was sentenced to four months' hard labour and 10 strokes and recommended for banishment.

Lam Hoi succeeded in getting the bag from Mrs. Remedios but was arrested by a passer-by.

#### COURT SYMPATHISES

Stating that he was forced to beg when he had no money to renew his hawking licence, Leung Man, 58, was corded." this morning awarded \$4 from the Poor Box for the renewal of his licence by Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon when he was charged with begging.

#### PARKING OVERTIME

matter. As an immediate result you ex-President of the German Reichs—
will experience inyous relief from bank, is being sent here on a special for a similar offence.

those old dragging pains.

## WE MAY FIGHT A FINNISH WAR -- SWISS GENERAL

A Swiss Army Chief told his soldiers that Switzerland may some day be called upon to fight the same kind of war as the Finns.

This is the opinion of Generalissimo Henri Guisan, who spoke at the Swiss national ski championship.

The Finns, he sald, are a "tiny liberty-loving nation, fighting a huge ogre—an ogre that eats its young like a crocodile. Ski-ers are the backbone of her Army." -Associated Press.

## SKATERS GUARD FRONT

The prisoners—all are regarded as French and Swiss armed skaters hostile aliens—will also be allowed to rolled out barrels on to the ice on wear their own clothes, to write and Lake les Brenets, in the Jura Moun-

Civilian skaters were crossing and recrossing the frozen Franco-Swiss frontier which part of the lake forms, in their sport.

The lake froze over, and was filled were given a pint of beer every day, with several hundred French and

> Horrified border officers tried vainly to separate the skaters with foot soldiers, but these slipped and slid so much in chasing the skaters, who made a joke of the whole affair, that the troops were recalled.

#### FRONTIER MARKED

After a conference between French and Swiss officers in the region, the mid-lake frontier was marked with barrels and skating patrols of twenty armed soldiers were created on each

The soldiers were ordered to keep all skaters on their own side of the barrel frontier and to break up all attempts at conversation across the ice.

## PUBLIC FOR CHURCHILL

Mr. Churchill is easily the most popular candidate for Prime Minister. Mr. Eden second—and nobody else in the running.

While there is talk in the lobbies that Sir John Simon will be the next holder of that office, his name, in a recent survey of public opinion, was mentioned less often than those of Mosley, Lansbury, Arthur Salter, Wells and Joad!

These results are referred to in "Us." a weekly intelligence service published by Mass-Observation, of which the first number has just been produced.

"What do you think about Gliver Stanley?" was the question put to a cross-section of people at the height of the Belisha crisis. One in twenty were in favour of him as War Minister, but the overwhelming majority (69 per cent.) simply couldn't anewer the question at alf.

"This is the highest percentage of negative, don't know, answers, ever re-

#### SALT SURTAX IN SZECHUAN

With a view to reorganising the Mr. K. S. Kjaer, of Dina House, was administration of the salt surtax, the summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, Finance Ministry of the Chinese Gov-K.C., this morning, for parking over- ernment has decided to take over time in Chater Road on February 26. control of salt mines in Szechuen pro-

# JAPAN DISSEMBLES

Admiral Yonai Says Nothing In Long Speech

## MR. EDEN ON HERR HITLER

London, To-day. The Dominions Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, speaking in London yesterday said that his personal knowledge of the Nazi Fuehrer did not make him unduly depressed NAZI COAL by the knowledge that Hitler considered his opponents unworthy of him.

His own reflections on his meetings with Hitler had been that he was constitutionally incapable of understanding the working in mind or spirit of a free democracy.

Mr. Eden wished that some of the leaders of Nazi Germany might have shared his experience of work with the Dominions Gov raments for then they might have been spared some of the mistakes they made and the world might have been spared war.

It was quite impossible to exaggerate the measure and spirit of the collaboration received from the overseas Dominions.

Dealing with the Empire Air Training Scheme, Mr. Eden said that when in full working order the output of pilots, air crews and observers was estimated at 50,000 in a year.

Referring to his visit to the men of the overseas forces, Mr. Eden said: "All of you would been impressed by their attitude of quiet determination. They are men with a mission and with a purpose.

The Dominions voluntarily decided to enter on the war to overthrow Nazism.

They knew perfectly well that this was not a European quarrel. They had no mercenary motives.

They knew it was not a contest between two Dynasties but between two distinct, antagonistic conceptions of life — a conflict of standards of wholly divergent moral and spiritual values. - British Wireless.

## FINAL ROUND OF WELLES' VISITS

London, To-day. Mr. Sumner Welles, at the end of his visit to London called upon the Prime Minister last evening with the American Ambassador.

Lord Halifax was present at this second interview as at the first on Monday. Mr. Welles was Mr. Chamberlain's guest at dinner.

He leaves London to-day.

... The United States Assistant Secretary of State has made a large number of contacts in the three days he has spent in London and the general feeling is that he cannot fail to have been struck by the unity of outlook among personalities, differing politically and in other ways, on the essential purposes of the Allies in the present struggle.

The British Government's aims have been proclaimed to the world so clearly that Mr. Welles must have had to seek many fewer elucidations in London than in Berlin but it is certain that any questions which he may have had to ask have been arrawered, with the utmost frankness by the British ministers, the cordiality of whose reception of Mr. Welles has been as genuine as it has been evident.—British Wireless:

## GRACIE FIELDS TO MARRY

Los Angeles, To-day. Monty Banks, who directed three of Gracie Fields' films, stated yesterday that he and Gracle are to be married shortly.-Router.

## BY RAIL FOR ITALY

ROME, TO-DAY. GERMANY AND ITALY SIGNED A COAL AGREEMENT FOLLOWING THE CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN SIGNOR MUSSOLINI AND NAZI MINISTER RIBBEN-FOREIGN TROP, STATES AN OFFICIAL COM-MUNIQUE.

The agreement provides that future coal supplies from Germany will come by rail.

This, adds the communique, will enable Italian requirements to covered "almost entirely."-Reuter.

## DECLINE IN ROAD TOLL

LONDON, TO-DAY. THERE HAS BEEN A FURTHER THE NUMBER OF DECLINE IN -DURING ACCIDENTS. ROAD **WERE 419** THERE FEBRUARY, DEATHS, 44 LESS THAN FOR proved state of affairs are:-The 20 FEBRUARY LAST YEAR, DESPITE | miles an hour speed limit; the cam-THE BLACKOUT.

January's total and much less than ly part of the month.—Reuter.

## OMITTED ALL IT IS ESSENTIAL TO KNOW

London, To-day. ALTHOUGH THERE HAS not yet been time for newspaper comment, official and Far Eastern circles told Reuter they agree that the Japanese Premier's statement on Tokyo's support of Wang Ching-wei says nothing new and omits everything the other powers want to know.

They point out it contains no mention of the terms Japan grants to Wang Ching-wei, no repetition of Prince Konoye's pledge that Japan demands neither territory nor indemnity, and no indication of the exact nature of "Japan's new order in East Asia."

frequently pressed to explain what any reputable following if Japan the new order means and has always wishes to continue the war in China. refused to be explicit.

Referring to Wang Ching-wel's anticipated "government," official circles recall that both Great Britain and the United States have made it perfectly plain to Japan that they adhere to the Nine-Power Treaty. and that there is no likelihood they will change their attitude.

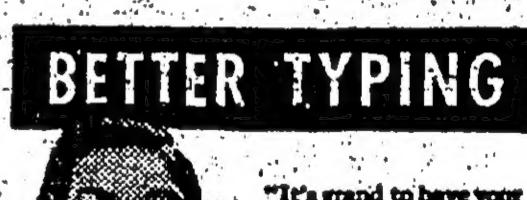
Chinese circles received the Japanese Premier's statement with derision, and

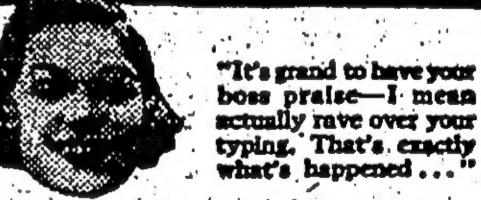
half of December's 1,150, the largest on record.

Some of the reasons for this impaign for greater care; the snow and This figure is only two-thirds of ice, which reduced traffic in the ear-

Reuter learns that Tokyo has been insist Wang Ching-wei will never get -Reuter.







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# DEFEAT FOR ALLES?

Setback To Solidarity Of Small Neutrals

## How The fLong View<sup>33</sup> Is Interpreted

LONDON, TO-DAY.

QUARTERS IN LON-USUALLY WELL-INFORMED DON, SAYS REUTER'S DIPLOMATIC CORRES-PONDENT. ARE TAKING A LONG VIEW OF THE SOVIET-FINNISH SETTLEMENT AND ARE NOT IMPRESSED BY THE CLAIMS OF GERMANY AND THE PRO-GERMAN PRESS THAT IT CON-STITUTES A DEFEAT FOR THE ALLIED CAUSE.

It is true that a small state has been browbeaten and coerced into giving way to the demands of a powerful and unscrupulous neighbour, and also that the principle of the solidarity of small neutrals has received a setback, but materially the Allies are certainly not worse off, rather the contrary.

all arrangements had Although been made for the despatch of a powerful Allied expeditionary force to Finland, the opposition of the Norwegian and Swedish Governments, and the fact that Finland did not make a direct appeal, prevented the Allies carrying out these plans.

The consequences unfortunately were disastrous for Finland but the Allies are certainly not losers

constantly supplying the Finns with war material of all "descriptions many." - Reuter. This stream of valuable material will now stop.

#### LEEWAY FOR RUSSIA

Although Russia, it is contended, will now be relieved of the exhausting effort of the war and might be assumed to be in a position to give more economic help to Germany, her losses have been so heavy that she will be licking her wounds for some time to come, and will have to make up a lot of leeway to restore her own resources.

It must not be forgotten that there was no mutual assistance pact between Russia and Germany and only a treaty of non-aggression, and although Germany may hope and endeavour to get increased supplies of oil, food and raw material from Russia, those most familiar with conditions in Moscow are convinced that Russia will in the first place consider Russian interests and not Germany's, -Reuter.

#### New York Comment

New York, To-day. Commenting on the end of the Finnish war the "New York Herald-Tribune" says: "It seems unlikely the Allies have suffered any loss so far as major military issues of the war are concerned.

"In this country there will be poignant regret at the outcome, however inevitable it may have been." - Rou-

#### For Finns Alone

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day, Press shows that the majority stress tory will show, possibly in a short dinavia, but will no doubt also cover prepared. that Finland had not suffered military defeat, and that the Finns alone

#### THE DISSOLUTION OF HITLERISM

New York, To-day. The "Worcester Telegram" says: the dissolution of Hitlerism but the of Germany.

"Britain and France are fighting not to dismember the German nation

## BITTER COMMENT LORDS

London, To-day. The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, made a statement in the House of Lords yesterday afternoon on the Russo-Finnish armistice similar to that of the Prime Minister in the Commons."

Lord Snell, leader of the opposition, after stating the Finnish people had done all that bravery and endurance could do, said he would not comment on the other Scandinavian nations but he felt sure that if the day of their own trial came, the events of recent weeks and months could not be forgotten.—Reuter.

## WARNED BEFOREHAND

Washington, To-day. Official circles remain silent on the Finnish-Soviet peace, but it seems generally to be the feeling that comes as a piece of bad news to the Allies.

Joy at the end of the fighting is, of course, felt, but one Congress spokesman said yesterday:-

"I warned the Finnish leaders last "The decent part of the world desires November, even before the war began, that they must expect a conclusion to world is not seeking the dissolution any war with Russia similar to the one that is now at hand."-Reuter.

Mr. M. R. Deb, of No. 17, Robinson Furthermore, the Allies have been but to free themselves from the men- Road, has reported his residence was ace of a ruthlessly expanding Ger- entered early yesterday and jewellery to the value of \$283 stolen.

## VATICAN CRITICAL OF PASSIVE STAND OF SCANDINAVIANS

London, To-day.

WHILE MOSCOW AND BERLIN are exulting over the Russo-Finnish peace and the Nazi spokesmen are hinting that now that Russia has got what she wanted when fixing the Tin Quota-Germany can get on with her business in the West, the Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, the Co-Paris press expresses the hope that the Scandinavian countries will not have cause to regret their opposition to Allied aid to Finland.

'Journal des Debats" anticipates that Germany and Russia will now probably attempt a peace manoeuvre on a vast two Malayan delegates to whom Mr.

scale.

The Italian newspapers splash the peace treaty, says a Rome despatch.

"Giornale d'Italia" comments the Baltic has again become a Russian sea, and adds the Russo-Finnish war provided one more proof of the uselessness of regional pacts between small countries and confirmed the impossibility of the League of Nations helping attacked countries.

INGLORIOUS SOVIET.

The Italian newspapers interpret the peace as a serious setback for the lin state that a propaganda campaign Democracles, and consider that the gloriously, especially as it was she who asked for peace.

"Osservatore Romano," the organ of the Vatican, severely condomns the peace treaty and deplores the an unjust roward.

time, whether the fact of having to- other parts of the world.

#### Propaganda Capital For The Nazis

Zurich, To-day. The Nazis are planning to use the Finnish-Soviet : peace - treaty : as means of attacking the Allies, even going so far as to deny M. Daladier's statement that an Allied expeditionary force was standing by, ready to leave

for Finland.

being to exploit the disgust of the Finland and try to turn this against

A survey of yesterday's British The Vatican journal adds that his- directed to the Balkans and Scan- tics were accurately and objectively

could decide what risks they might Baltic has not definitely compromised land" alone, and not France. Goeb--Havas tries Reuter. 

## AMERICAN LOAN TO CHINA

LONDON, TO-DAY. ASKED IN THE HOUSE OF COM-MONS YESTERDAY WHETHER HIS ATTENTION HAD BEEN DRAWN TO THE RECENT DECISION OF THE EXPORT AND IMPORT BANK OF AMERICA TO PROVIDE A LOAN OF \$20,000,000 TO CHINA, MR. R. A. BUTLER, UNDER-SECRE-TARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, SAID NEGOTIATIONS ON THE SUBJECT APPEARED TO BE PRO-CEEDING.

His Majesty's Government were well aware of their obligations under the League of Nations, and they were carrying out these obligations to the best of their ability in the present difficult circumstances.

Asked if there was any truth in the report that the £3,000,000 granted for exports credits last summer had not yet been made fully available, and whether there was any other means by which assistance could be rendered to China, at the present time, Mr. Butler said the importance of helping China was very fully realised.

He did not think there was any doubt about the availability of the £3,000,000 credit.—Reuter.

## MR. STOKES PERSISTS IN ATTACKS

LONDON, TO-DAY. MR. R. R. STOKES (LAB. IPS-WICH) ASKED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY WHE-THER THE GOVERNMENT OFFI-CIAL AND THE EX-GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL WHO COMPRISE THE MAJORITY OF THE MALAY STATES DELEGATION TO THE IN-TERNATIONAL TIN COMMITTEE. BUT WHO ARE UNFAMILIAR WITH THE TIN INDUSTRY, HAVE ACTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AD-VICE OFFERED BY THE OTHER MALAYAN DELEGATE AND THE ADVISER TO THE DELEGATION

lonies. Secretary, replied he did not think it would be in the public interest to disclose the private proceedings of the Malayan delegation, even if he was aware of them.

Mr. Macdonald pointed out that the Stokes referred had performed their duties with great skill and to the benefit of Malayan industry for many years. He added he was satisfied that the decisions taken by the delegation as a whole were in accordance with the wishes of the majority of pro-B ducers in Malaya. - Reuter.

GOVERNMENT SATISFIED London, To-day.

Asked in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. R. R. Stokes (Labour, Ipswich) whether he was satis-Reports reaching Zurich from Ber- fled that it was in the best interest of this country at war that a neutral sigagainst "England" was discussed on natory to the tin control agreement Soviet emerged from the conflict in- Tuesday night at the Propaganda should be responsible for the prepara-Ministry, the object of the campaign tion of statistics on which the quota is based, the Colonies Secretary world at the way Russia has treated pointed out that responsibility for preparation of tin statistics lay upon England and to frighten the neutrals officials paid from the funds of the fact that aggression has again met into closer relationship with the Nazis, international tin research scheme.

This campaign will be specially He was satisfied that these statis-

He was satisfied that the arrangelerated Bolshevik expansion in the The campaign will concern Eng- ments made since the war were such, as the British representatives on the run in the future and whether these the integrity and sold the indepen- bets and his henchmen have other international Tin Committee, could justified the continuation of the war. I dence of all the Scandinavian coun- plans for a campaign against France. properly support in present circumtheir services and their services are their services are their services and their services are the services are their services are the services

## Keen Debate On Finland In The Commons POINTED OUESTIONS BY MR. HORE-BELISHA

## PRIME MINISTER PARIES. CRITICISMS

London, To-day.

DURING A DISCUSSION in the House of Commons yesterday on the Finnish surrender, Mr. C. R. Attlee, Labour Opposition leader, said all were agreed in admiration of Finland's struggle, and while all were relieved that the slaughter had been stopped, all deeply regretted the success of aggression (Loud cheers).

Mr. Attlee added that Britain should render Finland all the assistance possible to repair the damages of this "unprovoked attack."

Mr. Hore-Belisha said he associated himself with the ex- BRAVER pressions of sympathy with Finland.

He asked was it not a pity in relation to the magnitude of these events and their far-reaching char- LORD SNELL (LABOUR) said in the House of Lords acter, for the Allies to plead as an excuse for inaction a pure technicality (Ministerial protest).

the Government.

said: "It is not correct that repeated actually ready. requests for men have been made by the Finnish Government. The Finnish Government have made repeated requests for materials and every one has been answered.

"The Finnish" Government were informed as long ago as February "25 that If they were to make an appeal to us we were prepared and were making preparations to send men as well as materials.

"In the circumstances in which they found themselves they decided not to make such an appeal."

#### HOW MUCH AID?

Sir Archibald Sinclair (Liberal) associated himself with "the condemnation of this successful aggression, and asked whether the published details of the material assistance sent to Finland were accepted by the Government. He suggested they were grossly exaggerated:

Mr. Chamberlain said he could take no responsibility for newspaper figures. He pointed out that the Government had not made a complete statement as to the amount of assistance given Finlands to continue

There would be a distinction between what was sent and what had arrived because it took some considerable time for material to reach Finland.

"The overwhelming mass of people in this country are of the opinion that Stalin and his Nazi bureaucracy have brought down on themselves the loathing and contempt of every decent man," said Mr. J. McGovern, Independent Labour Party member, in the discussion.

#### NO THREATS

Mr. Arthur Henderson (Labour) asked Mr. Chamberlain to make it quite clear that His Majesty's Governmennt had at no time threatened to violate the neutrality of Sweden and Norway.

Mr. Chamberlain repited: "Certainly, at no time did we threaten . to do so."

Mr. Hore-Belisha asked for an op- Mr. Hore-Belisha asked the Prime portunity for a debate "in the light of Minister to confirm the French Prethese events of the whole conduct of mier's statement that an expeditionary force of 50,000 French soldiers The Prime Minister, interjecting, and still more British troops were

#### SECRET SESSION SOUGHT

He asked further whether this force promised to Finland had any restrictions placed on its use-restrictions that had the effect of causing Finland to believe it was inadequate to repel the Russian aggression.

"Mr. Chamberlain said he had endeavoured to obtain an accurate account of what the French Premier had said, and until he received it he would prefer not to comment. .

Mr. Harold McMillan (Cons) asked for a secret sitting to discuss the conduct of the matter, but Mr. Chamberlain replied he could not discuss across the floor of the House.

M. Ivan Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador, left the Diplomatic Gallery at the end of the supplementary questions.—Reuter.

## EMPIRE AND THE WAR

New York, To-day. Under the headline "British Dominions show unity of purpose to end tisfaction in the fact the Soviets had rule of aggression," the "New York" Post" declares: "According to present, indications contributions from British possessions wil greatly exceed what the British Empire was able to contribute in the last war.

"The co-operation between England and the Dominions is greater than ever before." -Reuter.

#### MOSCOW CELEBRATES

Moscow, To-day. The Government is celebrating the not to permit the passage of troops of acceptance of its terms by Finland as the Allies. Reuter.

## FINLAND SHOWS DISPLEASURE

Helsinki, To-day.

It is officially confirmed that the Ministers of Defence and Education resigned because they could not associate themselves with the Government on the question of peace.

The Helsinki newspapers yesterday: afternoon appeared with, deep black borders surrounding the peace terms.-Reuter.

## ESCAPED NAZIS RECAPTURED

Dar-es-Salaam, To-day. Two Nazis who were active in Tanganyika before the war have been

re-captured following their escape from an internment camp.

They had made their way through 200 miles of wild country and were only 15 miles from Portuguese Africa when captured.

One of them had been the leader. of the Nazi Bund before the war in Tanganyika (formerly German East Africa).—Reuter.

## "HAVE DONE ALL ENDURANCE AND COULD DO?

London, To-day. yesterday: "Your Lordships will have heard the Foreign Secretary's statement on Finland with mixed feelings — first a feeling of satisfaction that the physical agony of a small and almost miraculous little people has now ended, secondly with regret that the spiritual injuries they have

received will endure, that right once more has been defeated and wrong once more has triumphed in the world.

concerned they may take comfort in posed by their own situation. the sympathy of all free peoples of "Having reached those decisions it the world.

endurance could do. They have set a them. To have proceeded in the face new standard of resistance against of the protests of Sweden and Noroverwhelming odds and have written way would been a gross breach of a page in history that will be read their neutrality and a clear infraction with wonder through generations yet of international law."-British Wireto come.

... "We can only acknowledge and admire their indomitable courage, and grieve with them in their defeat.

"It must be a proud day for the Russian Empire," continued Lord Snell sarcastically, "with their 180 million of people to celebrate the success of their attack upon a population which is less than that which resides within the area of the London County Coun-

"I will not comment on the other Scandinavian nations but I feel sure that if the day of their own trial comes the events of recent weeks and months will not be forgotten."

BAMUEL SPEECH Lord Samuel found consolutory sa-

been unable to impose any political terms on Finland. "The claim, that the workers of Finland were only too eager to welcome Soviet Intervention has been refuted by the gallantry of the Fin-

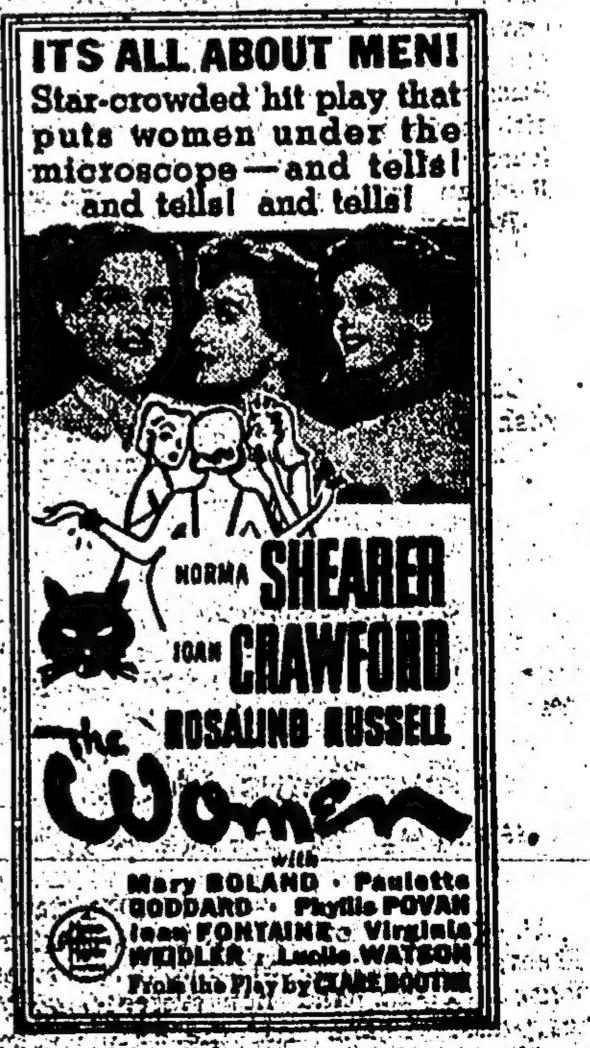
nish people themselves, who have

Inflicted appailing losses upon the Russian troops. "The Finnish Foreign Minister this afternoon, according to reports, just. received, attributed the disaster, which has fellen on his country, to the decisions which had been reached by the Governments of Sweden and Norway

a "great contribution to world beace" | "It not for us to criticise, even to and as a blow to Great Britain. - comment, upon those decisions. Thouse countries know better than anyone

"So far as the Finnish people are else what were the limitations im-

would not have been possible for Bri-"They have done all bravery and tain or France to have overridden



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## MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

#### NAZI RELIGION

The clergy have been all too long the lackeys of our destroyers. What right have they to offer help now, and to exploit the moments when men feel forsaken, in order to make them conscious of their spiritual needs? Our victories spring from a strong, though unconscious, religious, drive-but the religion is not that of Christ, but of faith in the Reich.—"Schwarze Korps."

#### CONGRESS ATTITUDE

"No responsible Congress leader, who has anything to do with the formulation or shaping of the policy of that great national organisation, has, to our knowledge, ever suggested that Britain's difficulty should be utilised by India to her own advantage or that Britain should leave India bag and baggage as soon as India attains Swaraj. Some hotheads may hold the view that India should hinder Britain in the prosecution of war; but their number is negligible.

hold this view. It has condemned Nazi-ism and all it stands for in unequivocal terms. It has declared its intention of extending its co-operation to Britain in the war, provided Britain makes it possible for it-to do so. It does not want to embarrass the British Government at a time when Beobachter," "Angriff" and the "Nathey are fighting for a righteous cause tional Zeitung," the three principal

"As regards the other point raised by Dr. Paranjpye, the Congress leaders fully realise that the country at present is wholly unprepared to withstand successfully any foreign aggression, if the British help is not forthcoming."--"The Tribune."

#### FALSE HOPES

Europe, he is bound to figure very can be directed towards the alleged prominently in the news. He is the sins of the British, the German peoples personal emissary of the President of will forget the grievous wrong which the greatest neutral country, and what their rulers are doing them. If it is he says and does is undoubtedly im- not that, it must be something in the portant.

There is, however, a danger that more may be read into his mission than the facts justify, particularly in neutral countries. The European neutrals are desperately anxious for a peace settlement, and are perhaps less disposed to scrutinise the terms than we are. Although Mr. Roosevelt has made it perfectly clear that Mr. Sumner Welles has come to Europe for the sole purpose of collect- ions of the British Commonwealth are

ing information at first hand, some neutral observers are cultivating the hope that the visit will lead to something . more.

Nothing at the moment justifies such a hope. Thereis not the slightest sign that Germany is prepared to accept the minimum terms of the

on the Allies any peace proposal which would establish Nazidom in Europe.

into Mr. Sumner Welles activities preparations for a patched up peace drive is simply living in cloud cuckoo-land

disappointed.and is bound to be 'News-Chronicle."

#### DR. MALAN AND GERMAN TYRANNY

How can it be that not a syllable of moral disapproval descends from the lips of Dr. Malan upon the regime whose ruthless persecution in Germany and criminal assaults upon non-German peoples in Europe proclaim it to be a ruthless foe to that human liberty and Christianity which are the most cherished possessions of the Dutch as well as the British races in this country. Such mental neutrality does its subjects great damage and contributes an element of danger to South African public life. A washing of the hands when humanity is faced with a moral crisis of the present gravity spells a deterioration which would bode ill for this land if it became general. Luckily enough the War has rejected those who are drugging themselves into a conspiracy of silence about Hitler's infamy, and who pre-"The Congress at any rate does not tend that the Hitler menace is remote,—"Cape Argus."

#### THE NAZI PRESS

Day after day the "Volkischer organs of the Nazi party in articles, "news" items and cartoons lift their shrill, hysterical voices in a song of hate against which the "Gott strafe England" of the last war is nothing but a gently-crooned love song. The authem of hate is reinforced by the fact that it is directed against the British alone, apparently on the ground that it would be inadvisable to dissipate present concentration, the evidence of the existence of the onetrack mind. Obviously it is the belief of the authorities controlling the Ger-As long as Mr. Sumner Welles is in man press that, if sufficient attention nature of aboriginal tribal dances designed to stimulate participants into a state of unreasoning.—"North China Daily News."

#### SOUTH AFRICA AND ITALY

Silently and surely the great Domin-

WHAT GERMANY IS

FIGHTING FOR

"It is a fight for the destruc-

tion of England, the leadership

of the world and the dominion

(Herrentum) of our race. If

there be a God and a higher Pro-

vidence, then must He give to

the higher race, that is to us,

higher rights."-Dr. Ley.

organizing their resources a n d their man power so that they can play, their part with the Mother Country and France against Nazism and its evils. In South Africa the work of defence and organization h a s been speeded up. New units are be-

Allies, or that she will do so until she ing extended. But the Union is forced into acceptance by defeat is in a somewhat different posi-A peace settlement on any other terms, tion from the other Dominions, would be a disaster for Europe, and and those who feel that South Africa to hope for such a settlement is mere- is not sufficiently fulfilling her obligaly to play the Nazi game. tions are allowing their judgment to President Roosevelt knows all this become clouded by sentiment. There very well. He has repeatedly made is obviously no certainty that Italy it clear that America, while neutral in will continue to remain neutral: and practice, is not neutral in sympathy until her absolute disinterestedness and he has castigated the dictators as to the present conflict is assured it vehemently as any Allied statesman. Would be the height of folly for the . He can be completely trusted not Union Government to allow this counto put forward or attempt to impose try's limited man power to be seriously depleted by the departure to Europe of a large number of volunteers. If Anyone, therefore, who seeks to read Italy links up with Germany it is certain that the African continent will again become a theatre of war. --"Natal Morcury."

# Sir Michael O'Dwyer Shot Dead By Fanatic

# SENSATIONAL LONDONOUTRAGE

LONDON, TO-DAY. SIR MICHAEL O'DWYER, FORMER GOVERNOR OF THE PUNJAB, WAS SHOT DEAD AT A MEET-ING OF THE INDIA ASSOCIATION LAST NIGHT BY AN INDIAN GUNMAN, WHO

ALSO WOUNDED LORD ZETLAND, SECRETARY FOR INDIA, WHO ESCAPED WITH A SLIGHT BULLET GRAZE.

Sir Louis Dane, former Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab, was wounded and had his arm broken. Lord Lamington, former Governor of Bombay, also received arm injuries, while Brigadier-General Sir Percy Sykes, a well-known authority on the Middle East, who was standing next to Lord Zetland, was unhurt.

The shooting occurred at the close of a crowded meeting in Caxton Hall, London. Lord Zetland fell by the side of the presidental chair and Lord Lamington and Sir Louis Dane were seen to be hit.

A man clasping a gun was heard to shout "Make way" and dashed down the crowded aisle towards the door.

For a moment there was a stampede but two men jumped on him.

ASSASSIN ARRESTED The assassin is an Indian subject

named Mahomed Azad, 37. He is being charged with the murder of Sir Michael O'Dwyer and shooting with intent to murder Lord Zet-Dane. He will appear at Bow Street police court to-day.

No-one in the audience of 150 was allowed to leave the meeting or telephone for two hours and a half.

The police threw a cordon round the building and took statements from been signed. everybody present.

BULLET IN CLOTHES

Lord Zetland told a reporter: heard a bang close to me and then a out and while I was down I heard ment was a chance to sleep. more shooting."

A bullet was found in Lord Zetland's clothes at the hospital.

The shooting occurred at the close of the crowded meeting and a short dark thick-set Indian was seen to most mechanically.

bleeding profusely from a wound in - Reuter. the chest.

The Amritsar shooting affair occurred while Sir Michael O'Dwyer was Governor-General of the Punjab. The commander of the troops at Amritsar, General Dyer, was relieved of his command because of the shooting.-Reuter.

## CONTRABAND CONTROL

London, To-day.

The Ministry of Economic Warfare announces that there were 23 neutral ships in the three United Kingdom contraband control bases yesterday, whereof 14 had been three four days or less.

During the week ending March 9 the contraband committee considered the cargoes of 86 ships, which had arrived since March 2, and 47 cargoes from the previous week. In 68 cases the entire cargoes were released.-Reutzr.

#### GINGER ROGERS GETS HER DIVORCE

Los Angeles, To-day. Ginger Rogers yesterday was granted a divorce on the ground that her husband, Lew Ayres, deserted her.-Reuter.

It is reported from Helsinki that the Finnish land, Lord Lamington and Sir Louis when they got the order Russian a peace agreement had ial damage exceeds £8,000,000.

> As the scream of shells died down on the Karelian Isthmus the silence was almost uncanny.

For many of the men all that the sharp pain in my ribs. It knocked me coming of peace meant for the mo-

On the isthmus the defenders had been holding their positions practically without sleep for months, and they had reached the point when they fought and marched al-

make his way towards the press table. One effect of the Finnish withdrawal There were four shots in rapid from sections of the front will be to succession and Sir Michael O'Dwyer leave part of the war material capwas seen to fall to the ground, tured by the Finns in Russian hands.

> Moscow, To-day. Stockholm by air yesterday afternoon. ly in harbour with her cargo in--Reuter.

# COSTING

London, To-day. Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, moving the vote for a credit of £700,000,000 in the House of Commons yesterday, said that the Army, Air Force and Ministry of Supply were costing nearly £4,000,000 daily.

Lumping together all expenditure, including Debt charges and social services, Britain was at present spending about £6,500,-000 a day.—Reuter.

## FINNISH GET SHOCK LOSSES IN Stockholm, To-day. CAMPAIGN

Oslo, To-day. According to the "Arbeider troops were astonished Bladet," Finnish losses in the Mr. Ernest Shinwell (Lab. Seaham) to cease fire; most of 17.000 men, including 2,000 by all the colonies since Mr. Macdonthem had not heard that sioned officers, while mater- ald assumed office. Mr. Macdonald made no reply.—Reuter.

Despite the hard conditions most Norwegians greeted the peace relief.

that The newspapers emphasise help for Finland is now more necessary than ever.

In Stockholm, the Swedish .... "Help\_ Finland" committee appeals to the Swedish people to "help our sister nation."-Reuter.

#### F. MEYER" "CHARLES QUITE SAFE

London, To-day. It is authoritatively stated that F. Meyer, which was damaged by ber of questions dealing with the The four Finnish delegates left for an explosion on March 4, is now safe- war. I tact.—Reuter.

## LABOUR UNRESTIN COLONIES

London, To-day. Mr. A. Creech Jones (Lab. Shipley) asked in the House of Commons yesterday what steps were taken to improve the conditions of harbour workers in Singapore and whether steps were being taken to evict strikers from their homes.

Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, the Colonies Secretary, said he was asking the Governor for information on the present situation.

Replying to supplementary questions by Mr. Creech Jones, Mr. Macdonald said he was not certain that people were being evicted but as soon as he got a report he would take any proper action.

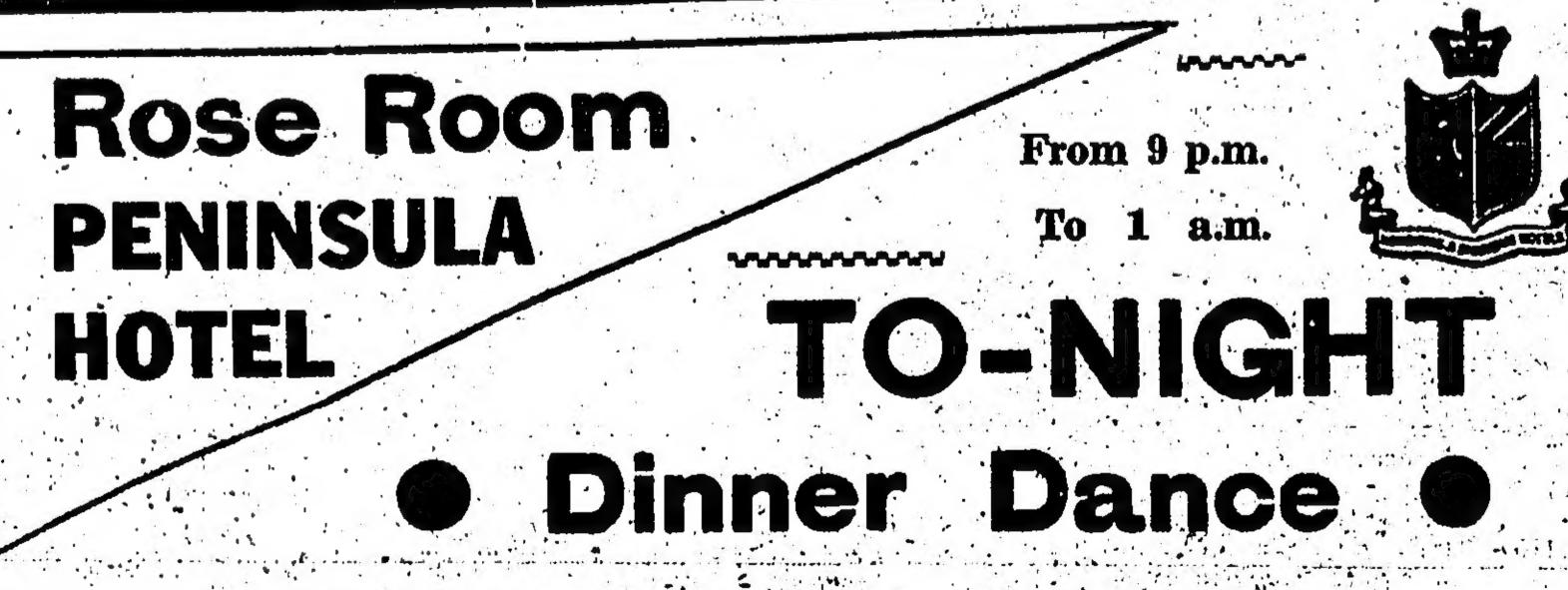
There was Ministerial dissent when campaign total asked whether it was not singular that there had been labour unrest in near-

## DEBATE ON WAR

LONDON, TO-DAY. THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IS LIKELY TO DEBATE THE WAR ON TUESDAY, WHEN IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE PRIME MINISTER WILL REVIEW THE WHOLE SITUATION.

The debate will enable the question of Finland to be raised, while the 10,000-ton British tanker Charles the Opposition wish to raise a num-

Mr. C. R. Attlee will be the principal Labour speaker.—Reuter.



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## PARTNERS IN LEGAL. DISPUTE

Chau Cheuk-kwong nine other partners in Wellington Cafe, No. Queen's Road West, were plaintiffs in a partnership lar radius of 22 deg.; this is the comdispute this morning before Sir Atholl MacGregor.

The defendants were Leung Toyuen and Kwong Hing-chak and were represented by Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ, while the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, instructed by Mr. C. d'Almada, was for the plaintiffs.

Plaintiffs claim an account, payment of which is due by first defendant, an injunction to restrain defendant from disposing or interfering with the partnership assets and dissolution of the partnership.

business is not a partnership at will denies that the indebtedness had been paid out of profits accured, alleges that the cause of dispute was due to loured arcs intersected at this point. the conduct fo plaintiffs, and says that a dissolution would be inequitable and a great hardship to defendants.

Mr. d'Almada said the partnership phere. started in 1929 and was of no fixed plaintiff was appointed managing sible for the display of halos was so and first defendant as assistant man- whitish veil over the blue of the sky. aging partner.

of the profits.

PLAINTIFF'S EVIDENCE

business was formed in 1929. There was no specific period- set and it could be dissolved at any time. Lai Tak-sum, one of the partners died three years ago. He was the original managing partner and he (witness) was appointed managing partner by the surviving partners and carried on the business till now.

When he was appointed manager the accounts were gone into and it was found that first defendant owed the firm \$3,822.30. He signed a borrowing note. Some \$778.28, defendant's share of the profits, was credited against this account.

PROPER COURSE

Cross-examined, witness said he was appointed temporary managing partner and the appointment of a permanent manager was to be decid- a woman, this morning, for assaulting ed later. The partners later decided her daughter at No. 133, Hennessy that he should carry on.

friendly and his attitude to defen- that the girl, who was her daughter, dant had not changed, but he had was badly beaten over some domestaken the proper course of demand- tic affair. Bruises were found all over ing the money when it was due.

He had written, on instructions from the partners, to the Urban Council requesting a transfer of the licence from defendant's name. This was because defendant had taken Watchman to obtain personal properaway the licence and it was nearly ty, a banishee made a successful bid due for renewal.

The transfer was refused. The case is proceeding.

## TO-DAY'S SOLAR HALO PHENOMENA

A very beautiful display of solar halos was first seen at about 9.30 a.m. this morning, and by 10 a.m. a complicated system of luminous rings and arcs had appeared.

The sun was surrounded by a concentric circular ring, having an angumonest form of solar halo, and is quite frequently seen in Hong Kong. Surrounding this circle, and touching it above and below the sun, was an elliptical ring, which is very rarely seen. Both these rings were coloured red on the side nearest the sun, and shaded off to bluish white on their outer edges. They were extremely brilliant above and below the sun, and comparatively faint to right and

Cutting these two rings, and passing through the sun, was a colourless white circle, centred on the zenith, and running completely round the sky The defence answer is that the parallel with the horizon. At the point on this circle opposite to the sun was a brighter white patch, known as the "counter sun"; two more faintly co-

> All the various halos and arcs are due to the refraction and reflection of the sun's rays by minute ice-crystals floating at great heights in the atmos-

High clouds of the cirrus type are duration. One partner had since re- normally composed of ice-crystals, but tired and another had died. First this morning, the cloud layer responpartner on the death of, Lai Tak-sum, thin that it merely appeared as

By noon the 22 deg. halo was still When the accounts were then ex- very bright, though the other rings amined, it was found that first de- and arcs had almost disappeared. The fendant owed the firm over \$3,800, display was the finest seen in Hong of which \$700 had been repaid out Kong within the memory of any of the Observatory staff.

The ordinary 22 deg halo is ob-Chau Cheuk-kwong said that the served on the average about 21 times annually; 5 in July, 4 in August, 3 in June and September, 2 in May, 1 in April, October and November; the remaining months December to March supply 1 between them.

> Although halos were at one time considered a sign of bad weather, little significance is attached to them as a weather prognostic nowadays, says the Director of the Royal Observatory.

#### PRISON FOR BEATING HER DAUGHTER

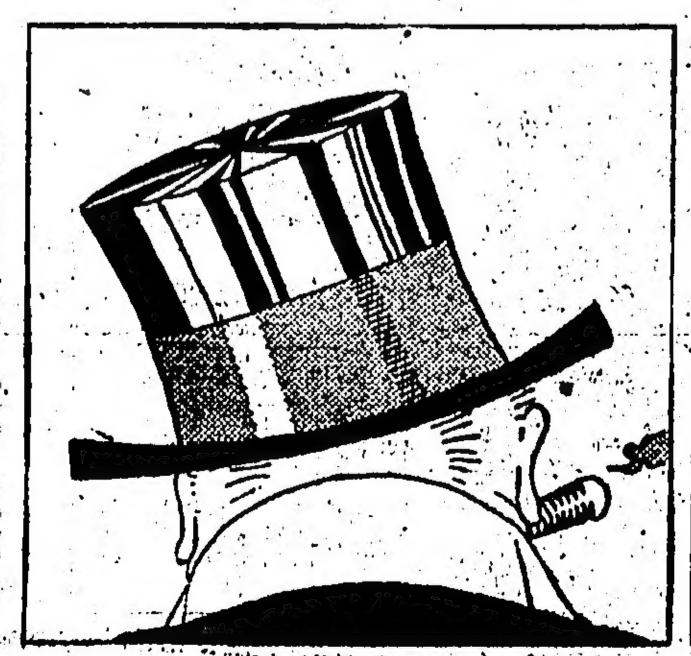
Sentence of two months' hard lahour was imposed on Siu Yuk-lam, 24, Road.

In 1937, all the partners were Mr. H. W. Fraser, of the S.C.A., said the girl's body.

#### BANISHEE ESCAPES

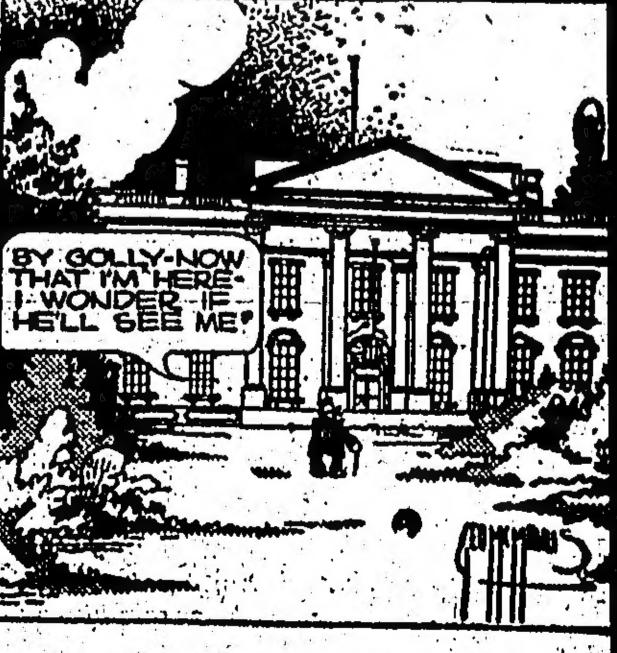
Whilst being escorted by a District for freedom, in Wellington Street yesterday. He has not yet been rearrested.

Bringing Up Father









By George McManus

## HITLER WILL SCUTTLE HIMSELF

London, To-day. If Germany is defeated, Hitler will "scuttle himself," M. Jan Masaryk, Czech Minister in London, told the British and North American Luncheon Club yesterday.

The Germans, he said, were "terribly stupid." The fact that Ribbentrop spoke to Mr. Sumner Wolles in German was stupid, because "he speaks English as well as I do."

Mr. Masaryk speaks English extremely well.-Router.

## THERE CAN BE NO COMPROMISE

London, To-day. "Whatever the transient future of the war, there can be no hesitation and no compromise," Mr. Anthony Eden, Secretary for the Dominions, told the Foreign Press Association yesterday.

His meetings with Hitler, he said, had led him to believe that Hitler was incapable of understanding the workings of a free democracy.

Commenting on the Empire war effort, Mr. Eden said that it was without parallel in history. When fully developed, its effect on the war would be decisive.—Reuter.

## WATSONS DIVIDEND

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#### CALM DAY AT FRONT

Paris, To-day. Last night's French war comon the whole front. - Reuter.

# SEES LL.G.

London, To-day. Mr. Sumner Welles, U.S. Under-Secretary of State, had an 80-minutes discussion with Mr. Lloyd George yesterday morning.

Owing to the length of the talk Mr. Welles' programme had to be revised. Mr. Welles had a talk with the Australian High Commissioner, Mr. S. M.

Bruce, in the afternoon, and then went to the Dominions Office to see Mr. Anthony Eden. Later he met Mr. James Maxton, the

Independent Labour M.P. Mr. Welles and Mr. Joseph Kennedy, the U.S. Ambassador, had a further talk lasting one and a half hours with the Prime Minister and Lord Halifax at 10 Downing Street in the evening, and dined with the Prime Minister later.—Reuter.

# "SOME OF

London, To-day. The Scandinavian Press is much concerned by the Soviet peace with Finland.

The Danish newspaper "Social Demokraten" says that Finland's affair is Scandinavia's affair and only a military pact among the Northern states could give any security for the future.

The Oslo paper, "Tidens Tegen" calls the peace a tragedy in which the Northern Powers bear some of the guilt. The paper blames the Scandinavian countries for 'a weak defence policy and a nervous neutrality."

On the other hand, the Stockholm paper "Aftonbladet" supports the attitude of the Swedish Government.-Reuter.

#### CANADIAN AIR FORCE INCREASES

· Ottawa, To-day. The war establishment of the Royal Canadian Air Force has been increased by nearly 14,000 men, Mr. N. McL. Rogers, Canadian Minister of National Detence, announces.

Provisions are being made for a total of 30,400 men — 2,400 officers and 28,000 men. — Reuter.

#### IMMENSE SUMS FOR RELIEF IN POLAND

Washington, To-day. Mr. Herbert Hoover, president of the Polish and Finnish relief funds, said on Tuesday night that relief for Poland would be provided on a large scale and might cost £12,000,000 before the end of the year.—Reuter.

Ankara, To-day. The Turkish Minister received the munique said there was a calm-day heads of the Allied Air Forces in the Middle East on Tuesday. - Reuter.

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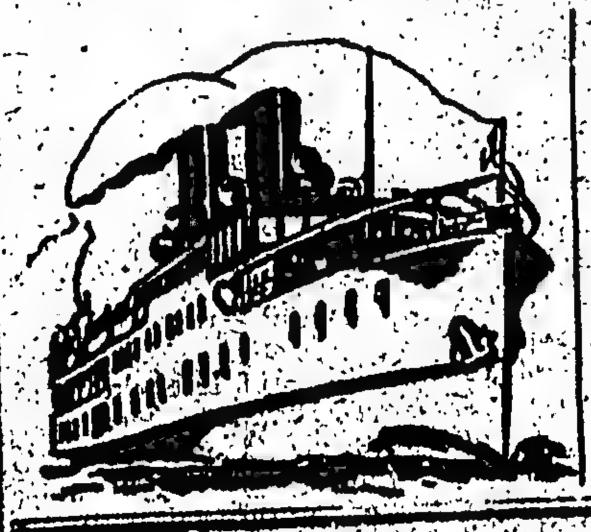
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In Junior Division Major Swyers has displaced T. Ali at the head of the batting, while W. K. Way, of Craigengower, qualifies for the bowling list for the first time to take top position from H. Danbrowsky.

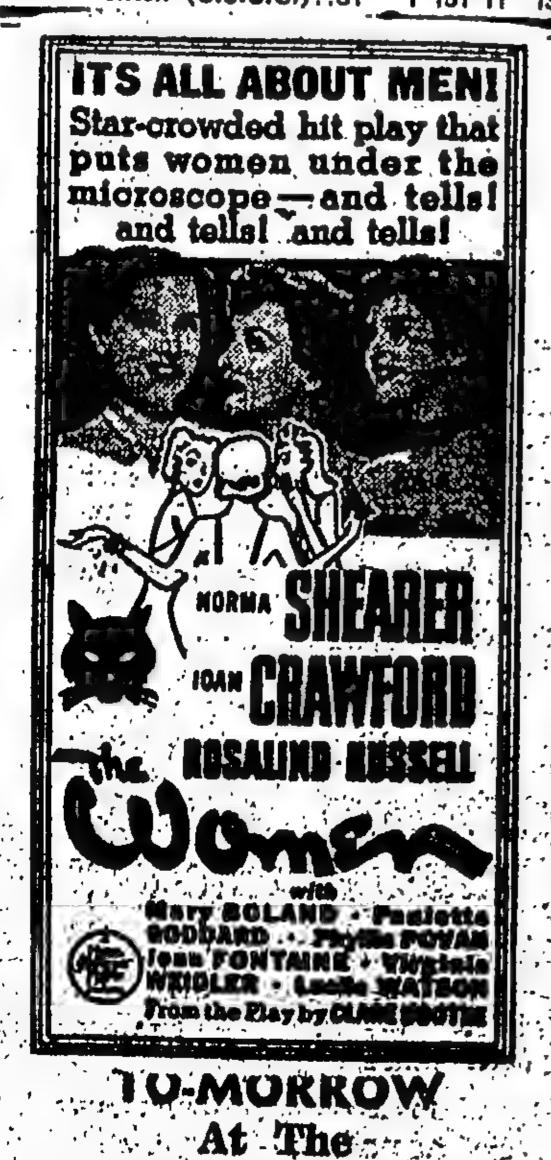
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A group of over 60 sportsmen, under the auspices of Philippines Amateur, Athletic Federation, will pass through the Colony late in April on their way for a series of games in Korea.

The delegation consists of soccer, tennis and basketball players, swimmers and track and field arniotes.

Should the ship remain in port sufficiently long opportunity may be taken for games to be arranged in the various sports.

, it is unofficially learned that negotiations are shortly to start for a swimming team from the Philippines to visit the Colony during the summer.

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SOCCER

#### INTERPORT TEAM

The following have been chosen to represent the Colony against Macso on Easter Sunday:-Lau Hin-hon (Eastern); Roughly (Navy), Tsang Chung-wan (Eastern); Kwok Yin-kee (South China "B"). Bright (Middlesex) Capt., Wilkinson (Middlesex); F. Fowler (Club), Chan Kam-hol (Eastern), Chan Tak-fai (South China "B"), A. V. Gosano (St. Joseph's), Ip Pak-wa (South China "A"). Reserves: Sammy Tsang (St. Joseph's)

goalkeeper; A. J. Hussain (St. Joseph's) full-back; Nicholls (Navy) R. Maxwell (Kowloon) half-backs; Le Page (Navy) forward. Manager, J. Skinner (Club).

Assisted by several Army players . In the second round of the Scottish recently arrived in the Colony, St. Cup, Rangers beat Falkirk by 3 goals Joseph's drew with Middlesex in their to 2 in a replay, and Motherwell depostponed Division encounter leated Morton by 5. goals to 2. when both more stored once

Raynolds, who has played in good circles at home, impressed with his the Saints. display in goal while Stevens and Coomer and Pereira scored for the

## DATTA RAM, HOOK DOBSON PROMINENT

ARMY yesterday drew first blood in the Triangular Hockey Tournament when, at Sookunpoo, they beat Club in the first match of the series by 3 goals to 1 after leading by two clear goals at the interval.

Neither side was at full strength, the winners in particular being weakened by the absence of their three Interport forwards, Lt. Pritam Nath, Nerain Singh and Partaub Singh.

Club were without V. C. Bond, their right back, and his place was taken by J. Pennington, an original selection as right-half. R. A. Bates filled Pennington's berth and D. C. Highland came in at left-wing to complete the team.

Army were full value for their win and had much the better of the exchanges throughout. They were sound in every department and the forwards, well supported by a hard-working intermediate-line, launched attack after attack on the Club goal, where only the brilliant efforts of V. M. Benwell prevented a bigger score; ...

Club were disjointed at forward, while the defence was never better than mediocre, despite some splendid efforts by W. A. Reed! and J; Pennington.

FINE DEFENCE

For the winners, Sgt. Dobson in goal, although not tested to a great extent, was reliable, and Stickley and Datta Ram were a solid pair of backs. The latter's hardhitting cleared his line on numerous occasions but he was inclined to dally with the ball rather than getting his for-

wards away. ... Hook and Jordan gave great displays in the half-back line, the former's form giving the lie to those critics who had considered his game to have failen off.

In attack, Croston, Homburg and Marshall, the inside-trio revealed splendid understanding and their close inter-passing methods gave Club's defence many anxious moments. The wingers were not as much in the picture but both sent across some good centres in the course of the game.

in goal and emerged with credit from the many raids launched by Army. Pennington was the hardest worker in the team. ... He covered an abnormal amount of ground and tried desperately to infuse some life into his forwards. E. V. Reed was a trifle slower in tackling than of yore but was rarely caught out of position.

Willie Reed was his brilliant self in the pivotal position and kepf-his forwards well plied with passes, while Norman Whitley, although doing well in the first half, saw little of the ball in the second. Bates, was as usual a good spoiler with little idea of where the ball was going when he cleared

Whitley and George Fowler were the pick of a very ragged forward-line. Bickford was too slow and Sid Fowler and Highlands dreadfully erratic.

THE SCORING Army scored the first goal through Croston after about 15 minutes and added to this score through the same player about 10 minutes later.

After the interval Homburg increased the lead, which Club reduced when Willie Reed scored from a long corner.

Club made great efforts to reduce the arrears but were fortunate on several occasions that more goals were not notched up against them.

ARMY-Sgt. Dobson; Pte. Stickley and Datta Ram: Sgt. Ure; Capt. Hook and Bandmuster Jordan; Mukhtar Singh, Sgt. Croston, Sgt. Homburg, Sgt. Marshall and Nk. Shangara Singh.

CLUB-V. M. Benwell: J. Pennington and E. V. Reed; R. A. Bates, W. A. Reed and N. B. M. Whitley: S. A. Fowler, T. S. D. Whitley, G. H. Fowler, B. I. Bickford and D: C. Highlands.

London, To-day. Watford, playing at home, beat Charlton Athletic yesterday in co South "A" match by 3 goals to 0. In a South "B" encounter, Southampton lost at home to Aldershot by the odd goal in five

Reuter.

Nicholls were decided acquisitions to Middlesex and Saints respectively.

## LEAD

Results in the Colony Chess Championship during the past week were:-

E. Zimmern beat A. Kurrik. A. Kurrik beat L. Blair. Sir H. Pollock beat V. V. Kalatchoff, K. Weiss beat L. Blair, The positions to date:

	Zimmern	P.	w.	D.	L.	Pte.
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K. V	Volss	 . 7	5	0	2	5
Sir 1	H. Pollock	 . 7	. 4	1	2	41/2
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#### PUBLIC AUCTION

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on ... FRIDAY, the 15th MARCH, 1940

commencing at 2.30 pamps grown at their Sales Room, No. 35. Hankow Road, Kowloon.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

-comprising:--

Teakwood Drawing Room, Bed Room, Dining Room and Office Furniture, Carpets, Rugs, Ornaments, Cur-For Club, Benwell gave a grand display jos, Electric Heaters, Table Fans and Lamps, Gramophones, Records, Books. Pictures, Clocks, Scales, Perambulators, Enamel Bath, Wash Basin, E.P., Brass, Aluminium, Porcelain and Glass. Ware, Cutlery, Cooking Utensils and Cooking Stoves, etc., etc. also

#### A FEW PIECES OF BLACKWOOD FURNITURE

1 Cine Screen.

2 "Agfa" Cine Projectors.

2 Radio Sets.

1 Radio Gram. 1 Grandfather Clock.

1 Sewing Machine.

1. "Westinghouse" Refrigerator.

Also 1 Steel Filing Cabinet. On View from Thursday, the 14th March, 1940.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers. Hong. Kong, 13th March, 1940.



GET France REVEL (Ho Geronne) Thuice

## FEWER WOMEN FAVOUR THE FIRST BOMBS

A TOPIC FREQUENTLY discussed among all sections of the public may be summarised in the question: "Why doesn't the R.A.F. take the offensive more vigorously?" To test public feeling on this topic the British Institute of Public Opinion included the question: "Would you like to see the R.A.F. bombing enemy military objectives, even if it means that the Germans would bomb back?"

TOTAL FIGURES Results of the analysis of the total reason for the reply. answers showed that opinion divided Typical of this sort of comment was as follows:

"YE8" "Don't Know" ..... 7% POLITICAL

difference of opinion between Gov- "Yes" because they thought "it would ernment and Opposition supporters shorten the war." These were alon the question. They divided thus: "Don't

"Yes" "No" know" 33% Government .. 60% Opposition .. 48% 44% 8% Though this is not a political question, the difference can probably be views are usually found on the Left move." of the political picture.

SEX GROUPS of view between . men and women. fully when he said: "We should not Women were, in fact, the only group take the initiative. It is a question of to register a "No" vote higher than the "Yes" vote.

The figures were:

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Women			
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either: the mid	dle-age	d or	elderlý
Percentage divi	sions i	n' the	three
groups were: 60	A 40 35		al ob
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441	Yes". "No"	Know"
'Age _ 21 , to 29 . 5	9% 34%	7%
Age 30. to 49 5	2% 41%	.7%
Age 50 and over 5	3% 40%.	. 7%
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The higher income group showed a higher "Yes" vote than either the medium income group or the lower income group.

				"Don't
	,	"Yes"	"No"	know"
Higher	*,*,* *,* *	57%	41%	2%
Medium	1 A 1 A 1 A 1	52%	41%	7%
Lower		52%	41%	7%
		MENTS		

An interesting background to the opinion figures is given by the comments. Interviewers are instructed to note down any spontaneous comments on the questions made by those being interviewed.

From those who answered "Yes" to the question came a number of comments along lines which indicated that confidence in the ability of the R.A.F. and our civil defences to deal with



Studious Buo says the way her thoughts stop short she feels the prof. must be molding a stop water over them.

the German Air Force was the main

the remark of a 31-year-old electrical engineer of Brighton, who said: think we are superior in the air could defend ourselves effectively."

There were also a number of com-There was a fairly considerable ments from people who answered most always in the words quoted or a very similar phrase.

" "EVIL FOR EVIL"

Among the comments made by those who answered "No" to the question the most frequently expressed idea might be typified in this remark largely accounted for by the fact that from a schoolmaster of 34 in Leicesthose holding pacifistic and anti-war ter: "Let the Germans make the first

A 25-year-old advertising clerk, of King's Norton, perhaps expressed the There was even greater difference general feeling of this group more world opinion."

There were quite a number of 'No' comments which revealed that humanitarianism was behind the answer. Such remarks as "all bombing should be abolished"; "nothing is achieved by returning evil for evil"; "no bombing of anything or anybody"; "bombing is inhuman," were characteristic of this group.

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Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations today:

BANKS Hong Kong Bank \$1485 b., \$1495/-.1500 sa.

INSURANCES Union Ins. \$4921/2 b. H.K. Fire Ins. \$185 b. SHIPPING Douglases \$140 b., \$140 sa. DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC-

H.K. Docks \$22.90/23 sa. Providents \$5.10 b., \$5.10 sa. LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.

H.K. and S. Hotels \$51/2 s., \$51/2 sa. H.K. Lands \$37 b.

. PUBLIC UTILITIES " H.K. Tramways \$18.10 b. China Lights (Old) \$8.35 s. H.K. Electrics \$67½ b., \$67½ sa. Telephones (Old) \$2934 b., \$2934 sa. INDUSTRIALS

Cements \$191/2 b., \$191/2 sa. STORES AC.

Watsons \$9.85 b., \$10 s., \$9.90/10.— 5A. --

MISCELLANEOUS

Entertainments \$7.40 b. ... MÁNILA SHARES Antamoks Ps. .14 b. Atoks Ps. .18 sa. Baguio Gold Ps. ,221/2 str Batong Buhay Pr. .011 sa. Benguet Consol. Ps. 5.50 b. Big Wedge Ps. 19 b. Coco Grove Ps. ..111/2. sa. Consol: Mines Ps. .003 sa. Demonstrations Ps. .12 sa. East Mindanao Ps. .091/2 b. I.X.L. Ps. 34 b. Ipo Gold Ps. 10% b. Itogons Ps. 23 sa. Masbates Pr. 081/2 sa. Wind. Mother Lode. Ps. .08% sa. Mine Operation Ps. .0914 sa. North Camarines Ps. :081/2 :58. Paracale Of Thus Ps. 19 b. San Mauricio Ps. 77 sa.

Surigao Consol, Ps. 19 sa.

Suyoc Consol. Ps. 13 sa.

United Paracales Ps. 26 sa.

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Syndicate Inv. Pr. 02 b.

#### KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

#### NOTICE

The Twentieth Annual General Meeting of the Kowloon Residents' Association will be held in St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, on FRIDAY, March 15, 1940, at 8 p.m.

BUSINESS: Adoption of Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

Election of Officers and Committee And Other Business.

It is earnestly requested that members and all others interested in the welfare of Kowloon will endeavour to be present. An opportunity will be "I given for bringing forward matters for and the consideration of the new Com-

H. D. ROSENTHALL, Hon, Secretary.

#### THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Seventy-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on THURSDAY, the 4th April. 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st March to the 4th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD General Managers,

The Hongkong Fire insurance Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, 14th March, 1940.

#### HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, No. 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, 26th March. 1940, at noon for the consideration of H.K. and K. Wharves \$104 b., \$105 the Directors' Report and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1939.

> The Share Register and Transfer Books will close from the 15th to 26th March. 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, E. COCK.

Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 27th February, 1940.

#### THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-HOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY, 2nd APRIL, 1940, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDATE the 23rd MARCH, 1940, to THE WAY the 2nd APRIL, 1840, both die clusive.

C. M. MANNERS.

Hong Kong, 11th March, 1940.

#### C.B.S. ANNUAL PHYSICAL TRAINING DISPLAY

March 15th, at 6 p.m.

Special buses will leave the Star Forry non-stop to the school as follows: 5 p.m., 5.10, 5.20, 5.30 and 5.40 p.m.

Charge adults 15 cents, children, 10 conts.

#### THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-first Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building on THURSDAY, 21st March 1940 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1939, electing Directors and Auditors and fixing their fees.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 9th March to 21st March 1940 both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hong Kong, 22nd February, 1940.

#### THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of ... the Company will be held in the P & O Building, Victoria, in the Co+ lony of Hong Kong, at 11.15 o'clock in the foremoon on THURSDAY; the 21st day of March, 1940, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company shall have terminated, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolution as a special resolution:-

That the Capital of the Company be increased from its present Capital of \$6,000,000 Hong Kong currency divided into 600,000 shares of \$10 each to \$18,000,000 Hong. -Kong currency divided into 1,800,000 shares of \$10 each and that such additional shares shall rank in all respects pari passu with the original Capital of the Company."

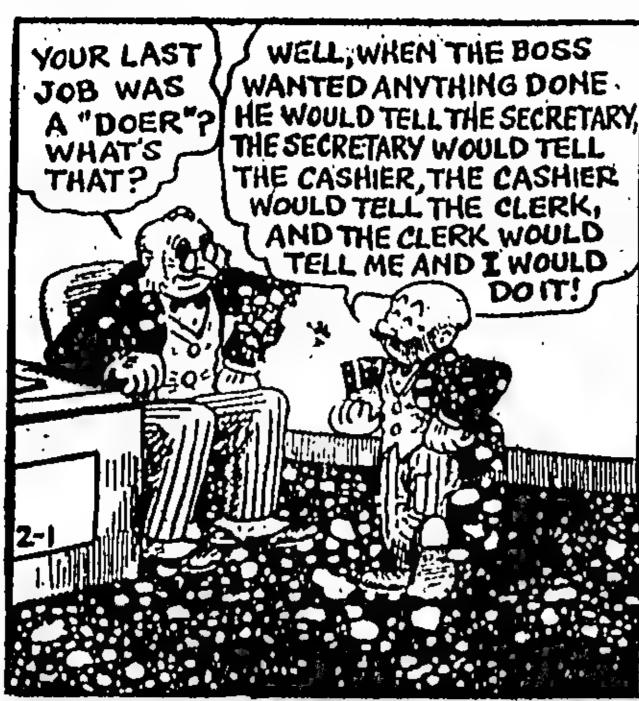
And for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolutions, namely:--

1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 Hong Kong currency part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund and to allot to the Members holding shares of the Company as on the 1st day of July 1940 in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of one share for every two shares of the Company then held by such persons respectively and that such shares so allotted shall. rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1940.

That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing Fractional Certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall, at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons on titled to the fractions making up such share."

By Order of the Board of Directors, My order of the Board of Directors, GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTB.

Hong Kong, 22nd Depressive 1041









#### Herbert and Bernhard Rutt From the Studio

5.45 p.m.—Studio—Children's Hour.

tions.

(Bass).

Brown.

Lorand):

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quota-

6.47 p.m.—Songs by Paul Robeson

Lullaby (from 'The Moor of Peter the

Roll Up Sailorman (film, 'Big Fella').....

Full of Acacias Is Our Village (Frater

White and Red Roses (Eross Bela).

with Orchestral accomp.

Little White Hollyhocks.

There Are Unkissed Lips.

garlan Gypsy Orchestra. 🔑

Great'); Down De Lovers' Lane (Cook)

....with Plano accomp. by Lawrence

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#### ZBW 355 M. (845 k.c.'s) and 31.49 M. 9.52 Megacycles

You Are, The Fellow, Friend Tykody. My Little Velvet Hat. Oh! How Long It Seems.

Hungarian Csardas of George Nagy-Slow and Quick (Karoly).

6.57 p.m.—Magyari Imre and His Hun- 7.10 p.m.—Dance Music. Fox-Trots-Ridin' Up The River Road (Harry Woods); The Simple Things in 8.03 p.m.—Studio—Two Piano Recital Life (film 'Curly Top')....Mario "Harp" Lorenzi and His Rhythmics,

> Tango-This Is The Kiss of Romance. Waltz-Love In Your Eyes.... Eugene Pini

9.05 p.m.—Songs by Herbert Groh (Tenor). My Heart Belongs to you Alone (Bixio-

Marischka); Song of My Heart (Wismar); Thousand Stars are Shining (Rust)....with Orchestral accomp.

"Vive La France"

Film Selections

Fox-Trots-Alone (film . 'Night at the 9.15 p.m.-London, Relay-News Sum-Opera'); Eeny Meeny Miney Mo (film mary. 'To Beat the Band')....Joe Venuti & His 9.30 p.m.-London Relay - "Vive La

France". Talk on Life of the French Army and People. 9.45 p.m.-Film Selections. "Top Hat"-Selection (Irving Berlin)....

George Scott-Wood (Plano-Accordeon) -with Guitar, Bass and Drums. "Night of Fate"-Don't let the World see

Your Heart: Can you See the Stars?.... Pola Negri (Vocal) with Chorus & Orch: "Roberta"—Selection.

"Sweet Music"-Selection. ....Reginald Dixon (Organ).

8.50 p.m.—Studio—Talk on "Canadians 10.00 p.m.—An hour of Dance Music. 11.00 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.

# Tanang CONTRACT

#### (By The Four Aces)

David Bruce Burnstone, Merivin D. Maier, Oswald Jacoby, Howard Schenken . . . World's leading Team-of-Four, Inventors of the system that has peaten every other system in existence.

#### LACKING DECEPTION

To-day's hand is to our mind a per- | got in with the club Queen, it should Declarer and the defending side. Be- to spades was imperative; for otherfore making any comments, we will wise a discard on dummy's last club simply relate the play as it occurred was imminent. and allow our readers to draw their own conclusions.

South, Dealer

Both sides vulnerable

A. 9 6 5 · Q 7 4 10 8 7 6 2 A K J. 4 A Q 10 8 7 J 10 8 2 E V AK 9.6. AKJ10962 A K 5 4 The bidding: South West North East 2NT 30 **2**♦ . Pass 40 Pass ·Pass .

Pass South trumped the opening heart

Pass

Pass

Dbl.

FOUR-ACED SYSTEM KING 2 QUEEN 1

Queen, led a second heart. Declarer then knocked out the high trump, ruffed another heart lead and was then able to discard his losing spade on

dummy's fifth club. We should first like to point out South's complete lack of deception. By playing out his top cards in both diamonds and blubs, he made his hand an open book." Since East falled to. follow on the second round of both suits, it should have been completely obvious to West that South held seven diamonds and four clubs, and therefore two spedes. Thus, when West's

fect example of naive play by both have been equally obvious that a shift

South of course should have first knocked out the high trump, meanwhile concealing his club suit. If he had done this, West might have been excused for not immediately shifting to a spade. But inasmuch as South completely revealed his hand, West's blind continuation of hearts was unpardonable.

You were Merwin Maier's partner yesterday and held:

> AKXX VAQX K 10 x x AQJ. The bidding: Burnstone Maler Schenken

**You** 1NT Pass · .Pass (?) ANSWER: Your correct rebid is

three notrump. Your opening no-

trump is a maximum, and you have

every suit well taken care of. Score 100% for three notrump, 60% lead and played the Ace-Kings of for two notrump (an underbid), 0 for diamonds and clubs. The third club three or four spades (unless your was played and West, partner has very unusual distribuwinning with the tion, you would rather play notrump than spades: If he has this unusual distribution, he can bid four spades

> QUESTION NO. 358 . Neither side is vulnerable. You are

Howard Schenken's partner and hold:

over your three-notrump).

tomorrow.)

AKXXX The bidding: Jacoby. Schienken Burnstone Dbl. Pass What do you bid? (Answer

(Released by The Bell Syndicate,

# CONCERT

7.30 p.m.—London Relay-The News.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather

by Herbert & Bernhard Ruff (from

8.23 p.m.—Lalo—Symphonie Espagnole

for Violin and Orchestra, Op. 21.

Bronislaw Huberman (Violin) and

the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra

Report and Announcements.

The Gloucester Hotel).

conducted by Georg Szell.

& His Tango Orchestra.

Orchestra.

in England",

A disappointingly small crowd last night were treated to a thoroughly entertaining programme at Kowloon Cricket Club at the variety concert in aid of the British War Organisation the Chinese soldiers internment camp Fund.

(contralto) were in excellent voice murder. and Willie Simpson was his inimitable |.. Lee is alleged to have murdered a "Hyde Park Orator" as a special camp yesterday. number.

of laughter with "He's not Old enough | "China Mail" understands that a to be Old" and Mr. Chiu, who de- fight arose over money. Deceased is putised for A. B. Allan, gave an exceedingly clever, "spot of magic."

Led by Helen Lockhart, the audience wound up the concert by singing "Land of Hope and Glory" following which there was dancing to MILLION WITH COLOURS the strains of Mickey's Melody Makers.

Among those present were His Excellency the Governor, His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Atholi Mac-Gregor, and the president of the club, Mr. Justice Lindsell.

#### ALL SAINTS' BAZAAR

A bazaar in aid of the Building Fund of All Saints' Church Hall will will open the bazaar.

## INTERNEE FOR B.W.O.F. ON MURDER

Lee Kwai-wing, 21, an inmate of at Argyle, Street, was formally re-Vocalists Doris Blair (soprano) S. F. manded for a week by Mr. E. Hims-D'Aquino (tenor) and Helen Lockhart | worth at Kowlbon on a charge of

self in two comic items, with his own fellow inmate, Cheng Hap, inside the

None of the facts were revealed at Vic Labrum had the house in fits this morning's hearing, but the reported to have died of a ruptured spleen in an ambulance while on the way to hospital.

## ITALY KEEPING A

Rome, To-day. Italy is keeping 1,000,000 men with the Colours, the Under-Secretary for

War reveals. This would enable Italy to face all developments in the international situation, he said.—Reuter.

#### ARMY SWIMMING BATH

The new Army swimming bath be held on Saturday, 23rd March at above Victoria; Barracks will be Homuntin at 10. a.m. Mrs. R. O. Hall completed shortly and should be ready by the swimming season.



#### THE HONG KONG

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# CLUBFAVOURIES FOR RUGBY SEVENS TITLE

No Apparent Weak Link In Side

## STH HEAVY REGT. SHOW RARE SPEED AND GREAT PROMISE

(By "SCRUM HALF")

LARGE crowd witnessed Rugby of a high standard, despite several one-sided encounters, in the five remaining preliminary matches in the Blarney Stone Shield Seven-A-Side Tournament on the Club ground yesterday, and all indications point to some really good Rugger on Saturday, when seven games, including the Final, will be played.

Club, favourites for the title, gave a polished display after an early score, and I don't think they will be beaten, despite a very strong challenge from Police "A", who showed big improvement, or 8th Heavy Regt., who should beat instead of going hard for the corner flag Royal Engineers, who caused the only upset yesterday when they beat Tamar and Small Ships "A" after extra time.

8th Heavy Regt. "B" team against Po- | kick. Parnaby then gave Royals a lice "A", McCarthy taking Lomax's second try when he raced over in the place at full-back, Griffin displacing corner, brushing aside two half-heart-McCarthy, Foster coming in for ed tackles. Gracie failed with the kick lenged by Waite, who managed to side-kick Smythe and Pitt deputising for and Royals led 6-0 at the interval. "Luckett. Police were unchanged.

shown against Combined Services Soon after Pinkerton was tripped and and their stock must have advanced Millar kicked a fine goal from 40 yards several points as a result. There out. not the Gunners, who were swept off quite sure what to do when in pos-Freer were the only Gunner players danger threatened. For Royals Pinkerto shine, although they all tried hard, ton, Gracie and Millar were outstandwhereas the Police team, without ex- ing. ception, did well, Taylor in particu- Hunter. William-Madden; Rae and Forbes; lar being in a very aggressive mood.

Wall was responsible for the first score, opening up play with a pass to Fay, who transferred to Wilson, who, with Taylor on his outside, went over between the posts for Taylor to kick a goal. Soon after Taylor forced his way over between the posts following a scrum, but unaccountably failed to convert. Wall secured from the centre kick and gave a lowish pass Wilson, who took it beautifully to send Fay over between the posts, but Fay also topped his kick and Police led at the interval 11-0.

Early in the second half Wilson broke away and passed inside to Taylor, who easily scored and who converted with a kick he took from 25 yards out. Just before the close Mc-Carthy attempted to land a penalty goal from the half-way line but was short.

Wall; Wright-Nooth, Cullinan and Innis. and Griffin; Foster, Macmillan, Rawlins and

#### AMUSING MATCH

Royal Scots "A" made two changes, Parnaby coming in for Marshall and Gibson replacing Cuthbertson, who is injured, while "Arawa" had Madden at full-back instead of Young, Forbes came in for Besler; and Vivian and the pack.

Selby enjoying some of the incidents from the set scrums. as much as anyone and as a result

forgetting to blow his whistle. they won as they liked, though their opponents finished the fresher team. A nice move by Gracie resulted in was disallowed because of a forward enough to make a give for the which he after a reverse pass from Carter to Paul only one team in the picture, despite heroig Henderson; Needham, Walkden and Heas-and secture a touch down, which he found a big gep in the R.E.'s defence, but attempts by Giblin, and Clarke, who shope man the pass was only just forward.

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There were several changes in the wards was also too close to attempt a

Police, who are the holders, gave a sent Gibson over close in, but Millar greatly improved display on that failed to land a goal from easy range.

kerton; Gracie; Millar, Sutherland and then had a great chance when he was given

WAITE PLAYS GREAT GAME The only closely contested match of the afternoon was, as expected, between Royal Engineers, Army champions for the past Birrell, who cut through beautifully to score two seasons, and "Tamar" and Small Ships "A," and the Sappers' win after extra time was well deserved as they played the sevens game much more so than their opponents.

"Tamar" brought in Darling for King, but Apperley. he did no better than what we have been led to expect from the latter. Sappers drop- Paul and Carter; Clark; Ferris, Brown and ped Jones in favour of Foley, who gave a sound display all round.

"Tamar" would have done better had they played Carter at full-back instead of Stevens, who lacked speed and who has become too used to finding touch to be of any great value in the sevens game, when touch-kicking generally wastes more time than it is worth. With Carter at full-back Kennedy or Bowden could have been brought in to advantage at threequarter.

Paul had few opportunities and he took them, only resolute tackling by Waite and Foley holding him up. Carter made one brilliant tackle but otherwise failed to im-Police "A"-Taylor; Fay and Wilson; press. Clark was not as fast as he might have been but played a hard game. Bowden 8th Heavy Regt. "B"-McCarthy; Freer might have done better in his position. At forward Ferris shone.

Waite, playing in his last game in the Colony, was mainly responsible for Sappers' triumph—and it was a triumph, considering the strong seven they were up against—hisdefence work being of a high standard while Marsh to kick a goal and so give the 8th he was always dangerous in attack, both as threequarter and scrum-half. Setting an excellent example throughout a gruelling match, he kept his side together in the face of determined Naval attacks. Birrell scored the try which won the game but he was only Young replaced Madden and Arthur in a shadow of himself. Artingstall and Foley both believed in kick-and-rush tactics and The inexperience of the "Arawa" they often gained valuable ground by these players caused amusement, "Jake" methods. At forward Apperley did well, giving the Engineers a fair share of the ball

Once the Royals had settled down the set some best formal back from Marsh's kicking was a great improvement. The second half provided an early thrill the set sexums, but Carter's handling was on his previous efforts this season, and if when Bidwell broke away near the touch weak. The first thrill came following a good dribble by Carter. Paul picking up and beat his toe instead of his instep he will be of Giblin from behind after appearing certains ing three epponents before being grassed Ford securing and passing inside to with no one up in support. A punt to touch saw "Tamar" a yard from the Sappers' line, Richards; Keeble; Hook, Luckett and Plum- 40 yards—it was a really great kick. Thom-Millar, who crossed over, but the try and from the line-out Carter went over in and from the line-out Carter went over in mer, the corner, but the referee quite rightly 5th A.A. "B"—Barnes: MacIntyre and a very fine try between the posts and Henadjudged that the ball had not travelled the Sallsbury; Moore; Evens, New and Harley, derson converted. From the kick-off Bosanpass. Almost immediately after trucke necessary five yards. Waite then relieved THEY LOOK LIKE Can allow the corner. Henderson failed with his kick down field from the resultant 'Club "A", who were unchanged, did not the corner. Henderson failed with his kick over a mass of legs he recovered fast scrum but Stevens, with time to come up start of too encouragingly against 5th A.A. and Club won a one-sided game by 16-0. enough to make a dive for the ball to his threequarters, kicked to touch. Soon "A", but once they settled flown there was Club-Bosanquet: Bidwell and Thomson;

#### RESULTS IN BRIEF

Following were yesterday's re-Police "A" 16 8th H. R. "B" 0 R. Scots "A" . 12 H.M.S. Arawa 0 3 "Tamar" 0 8th H. R. "A" 21 5th A. A. "B" 0 Club "A" . 16 5th A. A. "A" 0 Following is the draw in correct order for Saturday:

Police "A" v R. Scots "A" 8th H. R. "A" V R. E. . v Civil Service Bank Police "B" v Club "A"

alised for offside play and Paul appeared to have an easy kick from 25 yards, but he disappointed.

Waite moved up to scrum-half in the second half, Foley coming back to threequarter, and gave Clark an anxious time. Paul cut Leonard, Omar won the next game through but was grassed just before he became really dangerous, and a moment later Stevens had the line at his mercy but cut in laged to tie the score at 5 all. and as a result was easily brought down by Artingstall. A quick heel by Sappers then saw Waite send a long pass out to Birrell, but he was well tackled by Paul, not before he had managed to pass inside to Foley, however, and only a brilliant tackle from behind by Carter saved the "Tamar" line, which was only 10 yards away. Stevens then broke away on the wing, but lack of has been ill for some time. It was pace forced him to kick ahead when chalthe ball into touch on the R.E.'s Millar secured from a line-out and 25-yard line. Paul had another chance of landing a penalty goal, this time from 30 yards, but he again failed. Birrell broke away but, with only Paul to pass, sent a wild pass inside and the ball went loose and a glorious opportunity of scoring went abegging. Sappers were unwas only one team in it, and that was The "Arawa" players were not fortunate not to score in the closing minute when Artingstall kicked ahead and was ob- 6-2. structed in his effort to reach Stevens, who their feet by fine open play on a per- session and their hesitancy allowed fumbled. Artingstall appeared to secure the fectly prepared ground. Rawlins and Royals to cover up long before real touch down, and Clark actually called for ed a walk over from Dew Shing-cheong and three cheers for Royal Engineers, but the Ip Koon-hung. referee had pointed to the centre indicating extra time; there having been apparently a knock-on by Artingstall.

round the blind side of the scrum, but was (-4/6) by 6-4. 6-3. Royal Scots "A"-Parnaby; Ford and Pin- bundled against the corner flag. Birrell a perfect pass, but, instead of going through 6-3. on his own, he passed forward to Artingstall. At this juncture Foley went back to scrum- 7-5. half and a quick heel saw the ball go out to near the posts and so send Engineers into

the next round. No kick was taken. Royal Engineers-Artingstall; Birrell and Waite: Foley; Brinkley, Sheldrake and

"Tamar" and Small Ships "A"-Stevens; Darling.

REALLY FAST TRIO The team I expected to do well in the Army Sevens was 8th Heavy Regt. "A". but they went out in their first game, after extra time, against Royal Scots "A". Yes-1 (7). terday, though the opposition was by no means of the best, they showed form which augurs well for their chances of reaching the Final, despite the fact they will have to [(6). beat Royal Engineers and Police "A" before they do so. For speed they have no superiors in the tournament, Marsh, Richards and Keeble being very fast, and the inclusion of Hook on Saturday - he was shooting yesterday-will further strengthen

them. Marsh opened the scoring with a try between the posts which he easily converted, and almost immediately after Lomax took a low pass from Marsh and passed to Richards, who passed back on the inside to Lomax, who went over near the posts for a 10-0 interval lead. Richards sent the 8th further shead when he broke through in the corner and Marsh converted with as fine a kick as has been seen on this ground this season. Keeble then threw away a certain try when he groped for a loose ball instead of using his feet and knocked on. Richards, EXTRA TIME NEEDED tween the posts, but Marsh hit the cross- ever, raced over between the posts in the

even greater value to his side.

## LEONARD BEATS O. RUMJAHN

On the Club ground J. W. Leonard had little difficulty in beating Omar Rumjahn in the Open Singles tennis championship when he won by 7-5 and 6-2.

Rumjahn started well and won the first three games, all his points being gained by his chopping. Till then he had Leonard running about the court but the latter settled down and won the next four games by which time it was evident that Rumjahn was feeling the effects of his efforts badly.

With the score 4-3 in favour of after deuce was called and again man-

Leonard easily won the remaining two games.

In the next set, Leonard won the first three games but Rumjahn reduced the lead to 3-2, but thereafter was not in the picture.

It is understood that O. Rumjahn noticeable that he was not as active as

#### Results

Following were the results of yesterday's matches:-

OPEN SINGLES R. G. Biesel Jr. beat T. A. Pearce by 6-1, J. W. Leonard beat O. Rumjahn by 7-5,

OPEN DOUBLES A. R. Kitchell and I. M. A. Razack receiv-

CLUB HANDICAP SINGLES E. S. Hall (<u>4.1/6</u>) beat P. Macleod (+1/6) by 6-1, 6-4. Waite almost got over following a dash | C. H. R. Hyde (-30) beat V. R. Gordon

> CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP G. W. Sewell beat C. B. Nicholsen by 6-0,

J. J. Ferguson beat A. H. Barwell by 6-3,

#### To-day's Programme

OPEN DOUBLES Lee Hua-kek and J. W. Leonard v S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn (8). HANDICAP SINGLES

A. C. I. Bowker (-3.6) v F. D. Hunter (十1.6) (1)。 M. Pagh (-30.3) v G. S. Lovett (+2.6)

E. Zulauf (-15) v W. G. Harvey (-2.6) C. M. Stark (+3.6) v W. M. Barton (-3.6)

HANDICAP DOUBLES R. C. Beavan and A. K. Mackenzie (-1.6) J. S. Theobald and S. M. Garrard (-5.6)

B. O'M. Deane and N. Spencer (-4.6) V H. D. Bidwell and T. T. Dow (-3.6) (5). HANDICAP MIXED DOUBLES Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stark (scr.) v. Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Valentine (-16) (2).

place of Dobbinson and Giblin took Sutcliffe's place at full-back. Banner came in at threequarter in place of Mulligan and Clarke displaced Evens in the pack.

Club gave a polished display and Thomson's brains and Bosanquet's speed should secure them the title. There is

no apparent weak link in the side. Gunners took Club by surprise when Sutcliffe kicked ahead and Bosanquet unsuccessfully tried to trap the ball soccer-like and placed all his side offside. Banner led the resultant Gunner rush, and Giblin very nearly secured a touch down. This placed Club on their mettle and Bidwell opened up however, went over after taking a high pass the game when he broke through and passed from Marsh, who failed with a good attempt to Thomson, but the latter's perfect pass from some distance out. Richards scored was knocked on by Bosanquet five yards his third try just on time, going over be- from an unguarded line. Bosanquet, how-

only he will take his time and always use line, only to be brought down brilliantly by to score. Gunners were penalised soon after 6th Heavy Regt. "A"-Lomex; Marsh and and Bidwell dropped a gem of a goal from son then cut through the centre and scored

Badminton enthusiasts should not fail to make the trip to King's College this evening, for the programme of championship matches gives promise of being easily the most entertaining short game at which Bun is so adept. yet decided.

the first being between K: L. Yong and H. F. Chew, two of the best players in the University "A" team. Yong has been suffering from a septic foot and this tie has already been postponed once. How far this disability will affect his play remains to be

seen. In any event he has not been able to get in much practice.

Chew is an extremely powerful player, who has most of the strokes and, as he is a trifle faster than-Yong, should win if on his game.

CENTRE OF INTEREST Next match will be the one on which most interest will be centred. It will be the first occasion on which 'H. Eardley, the entrant who has attracted most interest in the championships thus far, is likely to be seriously extended. His opponent will be the clever to win all three games. E. F. Fincher and P. S. Bun, also a member of University "A" It will be extremely interesting to see if Eardley's speed and hard hitting will be able: to carry him through against the subtle

Other game will be a mixed doubles match There are two singles games on the card, between M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva, runners-up last year, and T. T. Chin and Miss M. Ding. I have never heard of Miss Ding as a badminton player but if she is any good at all, this match should be a closely-contested affair.

PROGRAMME

Church Hall last night they were beaten by the home team by 6 games to 3. It was not until the second round that the visitors were able to offer an real opposition and St. Andrew's won the first four

games of the evening. In excellent form were Bill Gillies and A. E. Brown, who were the only home pair

SENIOR SINGLES K. L. Yong v. H. F. Chow (King's College, 8 p.m.)

H. Eardley v. P. S. Bun (King's College, 9, p.m.) + (2. i f . d \ 20 2 2 m. WAMIXED DOUBLES A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva v. T. T Chin and Miss M. Ding (King's College, );

8.30 p.m.) J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro v. P. H 8.30 p.m.)

St. Teresa's were deprived of any IH. Kew won two and only lost the third toprospect of winning the Junior Bad- Ho and Lum after a great struggle. At minton League when at St. Andrew's one stage Fincher and Kew were leading by 16-14.

Austin Ho and Joseph Lum, playing fast badminton, did well for St. Teresa's, winning two games, but Peter Lo and Joseph Tsang, their first string, were right off form and were beaten twice.

In the only other match last night Recreio beat V.R.C. by 8 games to 1.

A. E. P. Quest and A. S. Bliss (St. Andrew's). beat John Chen and F. Chong ..... 23-20 lost to Austin Ho and Jos. Lum .... 17-21 lost to Peter Lo and Joe Tsang .... 16-21 , A. E. Brown and W. Gillies (St. Andrew's). 

beat Ho and Lum ..... 21- B beat Lo and Tsang ...... 24-20" E. F. Fincher and H. Kew (St. Andrew's). beat Lo and Tsang ..... 21- 5"

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## SWEDEN OBJECTS TO CRITICISM

Stockholm, To-day. Strong current of feeling against the embarrassing position in which Swedish policy has placed Sweden in the eyes of the world is noticeable in press comments and public conversation.

It is persistently rumoured that negotiations are under way between Norway, Sweden and Finland as a preliminary to talks for mutual guarantees, but nothing official has been disclosed.

Meanwhile, Dr. Gunther, the Swedish Foreign Minister, caused a surprise in an official statement today, in which he sought to justify Sweden's refusal to permit the passage of Allied troops and the part played in the peace preliminaries. He declared that the peace terms now agreed were not the terms Sweden passed on as a basis for discussions. He insisted that what the Soviet asked for was mild by comparison.—Reuter.

#### RELIEF FOR FINLAND

London, To-day. The question of relief for Finland is already being discussed.

The problems now to be faced by the Finnish Government are so acute that only with outside help can they be solved. The Finnish Government is not able to bear the enormous expense of reconstruction and rehabilitation of her people.—Reuter.

## L.G. A BITTER CRITIC

LONDON, TO-DAY. MR. LLOYYD GEORGE WAS SHARPLY CRITICAL OF THE GOV-ERNMENT IN A COMMENT ON THE FINNISH SURRENDER.

The Government, he said; is always too late in taking action when the life of small neutrals is at stake.

They were too late for Czechoslovakia; too late for Poland; and certainly too late for Finland.

"They are always too late or give too little; or they are too late with too little!"-Reuter.

## U.S. AID IN POLAND

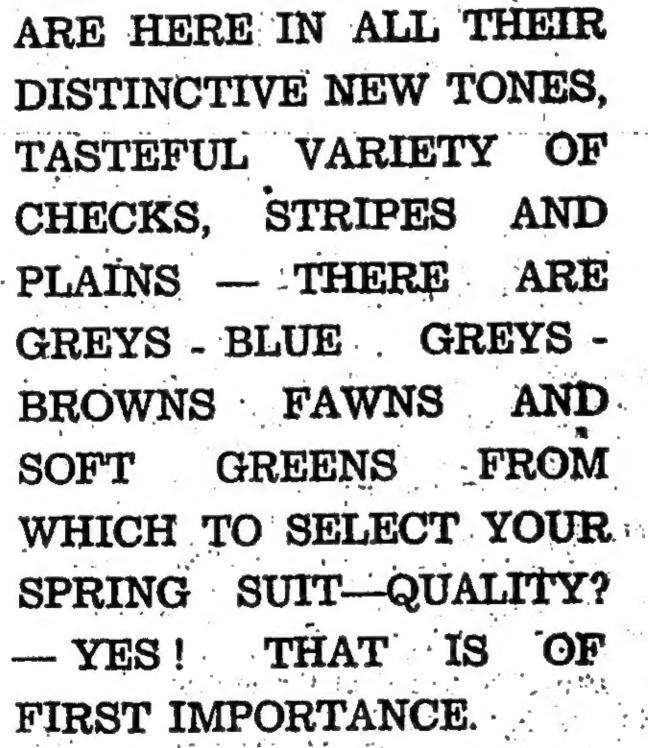
New York, To-day. An agreement has been given by the Allies and the Reich not to attack relief ships carrying food, clothing and medicines for destitute persons in German-occupied Poland, Mr. Herbert \$12,000,000. Hoover, relief fund president, announced yesterday. ...

The Nazis will allow an American supervisory committee to distribute the relief and shipments will probably start this week, as soon as the necessary financial arrangements are completed.—Reuter.

#### REPORT WEATHER

a feeble anticyclonic area extends from of the War Revenue Committee. South China to the east of the Bonins; Mongolia. A depression is moving north-eastward over the Sea of Japan.

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## STOP PRESS

Legislative Council this afternoon gave the first reading to the War Taxation Ordinance and approved resolutions covering the expenditure of \$5,000,000 on the construction H.K. of vessels to be presented the Admiralty and War Department Administration, with a competent and the gift of £100,000 to His Majesty's Government as a monetary contribution from the Colony of Hong Kong towards the prosecution of the war with Germany.

are expected to bring in approximately \$6,000,000 per annum; \$2,000,000 Government, and in such a case it from Property Tax; \$1,000,000 from would be improper to force upon the Salaries Tax and \$3,000,000 from Corporation and Business Profits Taxes. The estimated revenue over a twentyfour months period is, therefore cil had objected strongly and un-

It is intended to build two minesweepers and four harbour defence that Government has been able tocraft for the Royal Navy and two day to put before this Council the ferry tenders for the Army.

the War Revenue Ordinance the Coan immediate cash gift to His Majesty's Government.

Introducing the War Revenue Bill, the Hon. Mr. H. R. Butters said: No radical modification has been

made: nothing has been added to or The Royal Observatory reports that subtracted from the recommendations

The combination of taxes proposed an anticyclone may develop over constitutes a partial income tax freed of certain complications owing to its limited scope and designed to meet the objections of those, prominent among whom were the Chinese Members of this Council, who deprecated inquiry or inquisition into personal circumstances, particularly of partnerships, inevitable in income tax proper which is based on the assessment of individual capacity to pay.

As the Rating Ordinance, 1901, prescribes a tax to be borne by the occupier it has been considered necessary to indicate clearly that the Property Tax is intended as a tax to be charged on an borne by the owner, which I think is in accord with the views of the War Revenue Committee. The purpose of this amendment is to prevent the passing on of the tax, as it makes clear that the certificates of fair rent issued under Section 6 of the Prevention of Eviction Consolidation and Amendment Ordinance, 1939, cannot take into consideration a tax definitely described as to be borne by the owner.

I am authorized to state that if any attempt is made generally to pass on the Property Tax to tenants Government is prepared to introduce such logislation as may be considered necessary to prevent this.

The Committee offered no estimate of the revenue expected to be raised by their Bill and in the nature of things such an estimate must be largely guess work, but Mr. Caine, who was largely responsible for framing the original draft of the Bill, suggested that Salaries Tax might produce \$1,000,000 and Corporation and Business Profits Taxes together \$3,000,000, while the receipts from the Property Tax are calculable in the neighbourhood of \$2,000,000.

The Government has accepted the recommendations of the War Revenue Committee and the bill which I am asking to have read to-day for the first time is a Government measure. It is, however, just and pro-

per that I should state at this juncture that in the Government's view the taxation scheme framed in the bill will not be as equitable or as efficient a means of raising revenue as would be an income-tax measure on the lines which you, Sir, and your advisers had in contemplation a few months ago.

. It may seem anomalous that an majority on the Legislature, should deliberately promote one measure believing another to be its superior, but the explanation is not far to seek. This bill's principal purpose is to The War Revenue Ordinance taxes | finance a not inconsiderable free gift from public funds to His Majesty's would-be donors by the use of that majority a taxation method to which the unofficial members of this Counanimously.

H. E. the Governor said:-The fact definite proposals which were the It was stated that apart from re- subjects of the two resolutions just venue from the taxes proposed under adopted by the Council discloses that there has been considerable prior dislony is in a financial position to make cussion of the forms which this Colony's contribution to His Majesty's Government should take. I wish. however, to make it clear that those discussions have been entirely on a contingent basis and that the Colony has not been pledged or committed to any expenditure in anticipation of the Legislature's approval.

> It follows, of course, that the Secretary of State is already aware of this afternoon's transactions in this Council and he has warmly approved them in advance. I have also been given by him to understand that these gifts will be received with very grateful appreciation by His Majesty's Government, by whom they are regarded as a most generous and practical contribution to the common effort that is being made throughout the British Empire towards victory and peace.

The Colony should make this cash contribution, not grudgingly, but freely and enthusiastically, and in a spirit of thankfulness that, in spite of the War, the Colony should be able to make such a cift out of its surplus, and without diminishing such surplus to a point endangering the Colony's financial stability.—Mr. M. K. Lo.

Macao, To-day.

Over 52,000 refugees from the Chungshan District have swarmed into Macao creating an acute problem

Some 5,000 to 10,000 are sleeping in the streets.

Grim stories are related by many of the fugitives of the latest Japanese invasion. Some of the facts are unprintable, but the conditions round Shekki can be imagined from the fact that the Japanese troops have apparently been given licence to wreak their will on the populace.

They were kept under strict discipline for two days after the fall of Shekki. Then came a demand for the production of 500 women. When this demand was not met, the soldiers were no longer held in check.

Looting and raping is rife over the whole district.—Our Own Correspondent.



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